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#### PROCEEDINGS

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: I think we will get started. If people want to sit down, there are some seats in the balcony. Good evening, everybody. My name is Marie Rose. I am with the Project Management Office of MassDOT Highway Division.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Speak up. We can't hear you.

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Can you hear me now?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Okay. My name is Marie Rose. I am with MassDOT Highway Division, Project Management Section. I was directed by Chief Engineer Thomas Broderick and the Federal Highway Administration to conduct tonight's Hearing.

I am going to go over the format of the Hearing first. MassDOT's Right-Of-Way Representative will speak about the Right-Of-Way procedures for this municipal project. Then the Town's Design Consultant will present the details about the project. Next, we will open the Hearing up to the Federal, State and Local Officials, and then we will open it to the general public.

I ask that you wait until the presentation

is over before making any comments regarding the project and, if you are providing comments, please be respectful of people, speak one at a time and, due to the large amount of people here tonight, each person will have one opportunity to speak. We will have a three minute time limit on each person, and I ask that you respect that.

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Now, I am going to introduce the members of the panel here tonight. Robin Giando from MassDOT Right-Of-Way Community Compliance Section, Michael Senior Planner MassDOT Trepanier, at Highway Division, David Huse from the District 4 Office in Arlington, John Michalak and Alan Cloutier from FS&T. They are the Town's Design Consultant, and we also have Ben Cheung from ATM, who will be making a verbatim transcript of tonight's hearing.

I hope everybody has a brochure that they should have received on their way in, and had an opportunity to sign in on the sign-in sheet. In that handout is the Public Hearing Notice. This appeared in the Boston Globe on February 12th and February 19th, 2013. It was also advertised in the Arlington Advocate on February 14th and February 21st, 2013.

Construction funding for this project is

currently identified as Federal Aid funding with the Federal Highway Administration providing percent of the funding and MassDOT State providing twenty percent of the funding. It is currently programmed in the 2013 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. The total estimated cost of this project is five million five hundred and seventy-five thousand seven hundred and seventy-five dollars. This does not include any right-of-way acquisition costs. The design is expected to be completed in the summer of 2013, and construction is expected to be complete within two years.

At this time, I am going to ask Robin Giando to explain the Right-Of-Way procedures in further detail. Robin.

ROBIN GIANDO: Good evening. When the Commonwealth, acting through its Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division, indicated it would accept this 5.5 million dollar Federal Aid Project for funding --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can you speak up.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Speak up.

ROBIN GIANDO: Oh, I'm sorry. Can you hear

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GIANDO: Sorry. ROBIN When the Commonwealth, acting through its Massachusetts Transportation Department of Highway Division, indicated it would accept this 5.5 million dollar project for funding under our Federal Aid Program, your municipality accepted certain responsibilities. One of those responsibilities is to acquire all the necessary rights in private and public lands for the construction and implementation of this design, My function is to review and recommend project. procedures that your municipality will utilize to acquire these rights.

The procedures used must comply with both State and Federal regulations. The current design plans indicate that no fee acquisitions, five permanent easements will be required, and that other areas will require temporary construction easements or rights-of-entries. Your municipality may acquire the needed rights through a combination of donations, eminent domain, deed grants, permits or right of Frequently, local municipalities entries. will appeal for donations. Donation procedures minimize the acquisition cost for your community. Donations and rights-of-entries are not required and property owners are entitled to appraisal and just compensation. This project cannot be advertised until the new proposed right-of-way is secured and the Right-of-Way Bureau issues a Right-of-Way Certification.

Affected property owners' rights are protected under our Massachusetts General Laws, primarily Chapter 79 and, because this project is receiving Federal funds, the property owners' rights are further defined under Title III of the Real Property Acts of 1970, as amended.

I will be happy to answer any general questions concerning the Right-of-Way activities during the open forum, and will be available after the hearing for any specific questions you may have. Thank you.

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Thank you, Robin.

Now I would like to ask John Michalak and Alan

Cloutier to describe the project in detail.

JOHN MICHALAK: Good evening. My name is John Michalak. I am with Fay, Spofford & Thorndike. Here this evening is Alan Cloutier, also from Faye, Spoffard & Thorndike.

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can't hear you. 2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: We can't hear you. 3 JOHN MICHALAK: We are working on the Mass. 4 Corridor Improvement Projects. Also working us 5 with is Butterfield Design Group, who 6 responsible for the landscaping on the project. 7 just want to give a quick project 8 overview of the project. For those of you who might 9 not be familiar with the project, this is a locally 10 administered MassDOT project. As Marie said, it is 11 state and federally funded. The project approximately one mile long. 12 It extends from Pond 13 Lane to Cambridge City Line. Within the project corridor, there 14 signalized intersections, 15 three existing 16 Street, Linwood Street, Lake Street and Winter 17 Street, and Taylor Street and Thorndike Street. 18 project also runs through the East Arlington Business 19 District, which essentially for this project defined as the stretch from Orvis Road or Grafton 20 21 Street to Trowbridge Street and Oakland Street. 22 There are three MBTA bus routes that also

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run along the Mass. Ave. corridor, the 77, the 79 and

The Mass. Ave. corridor currently has concrete cement sidewalks on both sides of the road. The sidewalks are mostly seven to eight feet wide clear of obstruction with a six to eight foot wide buffer, west of Orvis Road and east of Egerton. Between Orvis Road and Egerton Road the sidewalk is actually narrower than the rest of the corridor. In some spots, it actually narrows to less than six feet wide.

The existing roadway width varies from sixty-six feet to eighty-four feet. That is the curb-to-curb width, for most of the roadway being less than sixty-eight feet wide. So, only eight hundred and fifty feet, that's fifteen percent of the total project, actually meets or exceeds the sixty-eight feet in width. So, eighty-five percent of it is less than sixty-eight feet.

This primarily functions as one wide -approximately twenty foot and five -- twenty-five
foot wide lane on each side of the double yellow
center line. Sometimes you will see two cars driving
side-by-side on the road but, more often than not, it
acts as a one-lane roadway due to bicycles, buses, or
delivery vehicles occupying that outermost lane.

Now, these are the design objectives that the Town stated when we were first brought on to the project. These objectives, the wording has not changed in these objectives since the beginning of the project. These were spelled out in the Town's Request For Proposals back on October 25th, 2006 and FST was brought on board to the project and we began our work September 1st, 2008, and the first public meeting was actually held October 1st, 2008, for this project.

The proposed improvements for this project consist of marked travel lanes. We are proposing two eleven foot wide lanes in the eastbound, or the inbound towards Cambridge direction, and one fourteen foot or fifteen foot wide travel lane westbound toward outbound. The project also consists of marked bike lanes and these bike lanes will have adequate offsets from parking to prevent dooring incidents.

The project also includes reconstructed sidewalks. So, we are proposing cement concrete sidewalks, gray sidewalks approximately eight foot wide on both sides of the road and, within the business district, we are proposing a land -- a tan cement concrete decorate buffer, and that is where

all the furniture, utility poles, the trees, the plantings will exist to maintain that seven to eight foot wide clear pedestrian travel way within the business district, that doesn't currently exist today.

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All the wheelchair ramps will be reconstructed along the corridor to meet ADA and ABA -- AB -- excuse me, ADA and AAB requirements.

also involves bus The project stop We have been coordinating with the improvements. MBTA through their Route 77 bus line. New bus stops will be ten feet wide, which will accommodate the buses, new benches and trash receptacles, some of which will be provided by the MBTA, and some will be supplemented as part of this project, and then the MBTA is also in discussion with the Town proposing some bus shelters at some of the stops along the corridor.

Additional proposal improvements included updated traffic signals at the three signalized intersections I mentioned previously, and a new traffic signal at Bates Road. The project also includes a new streetscape, landscaping and pedestrian scale lighting, primarily within the

business district which, again, is from Orvis Road to Milton Street.

So, these improvements that we are proposing on this project are to provide a balanced design for all users, not just vehicles but also bicyclists, pedestrians and transit users. What we are proposing is a better organized roadway, using the roadway allocating the space best for all these modes of travel.

One of the primary safety improvements on the projects for pedestrians involves shorter pedestrian crossings. We were able to shorten the crossings at all unsignalized intersections with the use of curb extensions or bump-outs.

The other thing that we have been asked to discuss this evening are the changes to the plans that have occurred since they were last presented to you at the twenty-five percent level. One of the most significant changes to the project involves the addition of a second through lane in the eastbound direction for the entire length of the corridor. Originally, at twenty-five percent, we proposed two travel lanes eastbound from the Foster/Linwood intersection eastbound to the limits of the project

and, since then, we have continued that second eastbound lane, two travel lanes the entire corridor to allow for inbound travel lanes.

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As I mentioned, the coordination with the MBTA has been ongoing since the twenty-five percent, have incorporated and we some changes modifications to bus stops, located bus stops so that they will have platforms so that people with wheelchairs can get off of all the buses, and one of the bus stops that was actually relocated at the seventy-five percent to Melrose Street has now been relocated back to the Milton Street intersection. So, that is the one bus stop that has moved since the seventy-five percent plans were presented, but this is where it was shown at twenty-five percent. the bus stop will be at the Milton Street intersection.

We have also had utility coordination since the twenty-five percent. We have met with utility companies. We have located utility poles based on suggestions from the utility companies, retaining some of the poles. Not as many poles that were jumped to be moved in twenty-five percent are going to be moved going forward. We have also incorporated

some water system improvements that the Town of Arlington wants to do during the time of construction, and part of this will -- includes replacing all of the existing fire hydrants along the corridor.

We have also made some minor changes to drainage systems since the twenty-five percent. Some of these results are comments through the City from budgets to the project. For instance, people would notify us and let us know that there were some drainage problems or puddling happening at the heads of their driveway. We looked at that and we have actually incorporated into the proposed draining plans -- drainage plans to make sure that this will be accommodated during the final design so they won't have those flooding problems.

We have also developed final signal timings that were not developed at the twenty-five percent, and those plans are included on the final plans.

There have also been some changes to the pavement design since the twenty-five percent. Due to the deteriorated pavement conditions out there, and working closely with the District and MassDOT Pavement Engineer, we have come up with a new

pavement design for the roadway that we will be sure that it will last once it is completed.

And then, in addition, the streetscaping and landscaping has been added to the plans since twenty-five percent. Tree species have identified, locations of benches, and bike racks, and trash receptacles are now shown on the plans, and we have some boards that we presented some of the examples of the tree species that are now included as part of the design. We have had comments that have been passed on through the Town. Some of the species have been changed based on recommendations abutters.

And then, we also show some of the examples of the streetscape improvements, the benches, the trash receptacles. They are going to match the same systems that are being implemented by the MBTA and then, also, the traffic signals will be ornamental, painted black and, as I mentioned, some bike racks will be installed in addition to the bike racks that are out there today. They are going to be relocated.

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Now, I would like to turn things over to Alan, and he is going to talk about the multi-modal

1 aspect of the design and the traffic.

ALAN CLOUTIER: Good evening. I am sure everybody will be able to hear me in the back. I usually don't have a problem having a loud enough voice.

As John mentioned, I am going to talk about the multi-modal aspects a little bit, where some of that came from, and then, I was going to talk about some of the capacity analysis, some of the older stuff that was run, some of the newer stuff that has been ongoing.

First of all, as far as the multi-modal consideration, some of this is a review for people that have been attending the meetings for the project, or really almost attending meetings or design meetings for really almost anything that is happening in Massachusetts. So, really, I don't want to read these verbatim but essentially, from the 2006 MassHighway Design Guide, forces us to consider vehicles, pedestrians, bicycles and transit whenever designing a roadway, roadway improvements to a roadway, etc.

This is kind of mirrored in the U.S. Department of Transportation Policy, which is a quote

down below it, that we really need to incorporate safe walking and bicycling facilities in transportation projects. One of the things to note when we talk about the different modes, a lot of that is shared modes. So, when you talk about pedestrians out there, sometimes a pedestrian was a vehicle that was driving and literally parked, and now they are going to where they were going. So, sometimes it is overlap even within these modes that we are talking about.

This is a little bit of a step back in time. First of all, I just want to talk about some capacity analysis that was run previously, and really most of the focus is on the westbound direction because that is where we have one lane rather than two. So, in the previous analysis, this is the Functional Design Report that was submitted a while ago. For the 2028 Build Scenario, I put in here the letter grades.

Again, this is kind of review for a number of people but, based on delay, how long you are waiting at a traffic light, these actually get a grade for the approach, the lane or the overall intersection. Similar to a report card, A is the

best, F is failing. The only difference is, there is an E here. Usually, you don't have that on a report card.

So, when we actually look at this, this is for the westbound direction, the westbound through lane at the signalized intersections. For the A and B, essentially everything was a C or better, and then, for the PM peak, it was an A and a B. So, you do have capacity at the signals to accommodate the through volume. Again, this is fifteen years in the future.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can you explain what the A, C and B stand for?

ALAN CLOUTIER: Oh, sure. So, really what -- you know, us traffic engineers, we want to get into trying to give grades to things, really to try to make things a little more understandable. Back in the old days, there was a lot of confusion to things. So, they try to assign a letter grade, A being the best as a scale and really, at least for the signalized intersections, it is based off delay, how long you are there waiting on a red light, how long you are delayed going through, something that really everybody can see.

So, if you are really -- usually, letter grades A through D are usually considered acceptable. If you are in an urban environment, say in Boston, sometimes a letter, an F can sometimes still be acceptable, assuming that you are not backing through other intersections. If you have been in Downtown Boston, a lot of those do operate poorly, especially during the peak hours, and this is the important thing to keep in mind, we are talking about the peak hour of the day for all of this. So, really, that is what we are basing the design off, if you can be operating well or operating effectively during the peak hour, the other hours that have less volume operate even better.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: In terms of --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: So, what is this --

ALAN CLOUTIER: I think we are taking questions at the end. So, and again, that is kind of a review. So, that was, again, what we presented before that was in the Function Design Report. Since then, there has been some additional work that has been done. Some of it was — came through Federal Highway. So, although we presented the analysis — this is back to the twenty-five percent — it was

accepted by MassDOT.

However, recently, Federal Highway asked us to do some additional analysis and part of that was because they actually had new analysis that they — that just became available, so really a multi-modal analysis. It became available actually in late summer/early fall of last year. So, it wasn't even available back when we were running it. So, really it is a way to try to combine, to look at all the different modes, that wasn't available before. So, just, they asked us to run it. We ran it. They asked for an additional analysis for a four-lane option, and we ran that.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: They are not -UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: No questions.

ALAN CLOUTIER: Sorry. I skipped the last line but that was essentially what I said. If you really want to read everything, it was the dates that we submitted everything.

Now, again, this is a brand new software that Federal Highway wanted us to look at, not only software, brand new analysis that actually it was not available until very recently. One thing to note, I guess, as far as the four modes of travel was, I

didn't have a lot of vehicular on purpose, is that, in the past, we were able to analyze vehicular delay. There has been a lot of progress with that. There have been a lot of packages available. It has been looked for, I mean, frankly for decades. Bicycles, pedestrians, transit, there really wasn't or at least anything that was worthwhile. So, this is the first version of this analysis with this software, now the same software. So, you know, same Bay version, or whatever, but definitely there will probably be some tweaks to it but, again, there wasn't anything available before this.

So, one thing I just want to point out, it's a tool. It is important to, whenever we are looking at this stuff, to keep in mind what its limitations are, and there are definitely some limitations to this new software that Federal Highway wanted us to look at, and the last, probably the most important thing to keep in mind is capacity base, this analysis. Can you get cars through? How long are they going to be waiting? It is not the safety mix. So, this capacity analysis has nothing to do with safety crossing the street or bicycling, or even a car driving on the road. It is important to

separate the two. It is really two completely different ways of looking at it.

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And some of the results that we had, we conducted this for -- again, this is new analysis for weekday and peak hour because that is critical, at least in the westbound direction. Sorry things look a little blurry. I hope you can all read it. And, first of all, we wanted to do a comparison of what was actually shown in the Function Design using a completely different software, Report, completely different methodology, everything. actually, if you were to add up the delays at all the signals, because we know, for any corridor, that is where you wait, is at the signals, if you add it all up, you would have had an additional fourteen seconds in the westbound direction between no-build and build.

And then, with this new software, once you actually calculate it out, the difference in the westbound direction, between no build and build, you actually had, it calculated out to about thirty-four seconds of additional delay, and this is between a no-build and build. So, it included -- this was, one of the differences was actually the new traffic light

at Bates, in addition to other stuff.

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So, there is kind of a little bit of difference there. I mean, it is kind of like completely different software packages, different way of looking at things, but it kind of gives you at least a ball park of what we are going to be talking about as far as the impact. This is the entire corridor, for if you add up everything throughout the mile.

And I think this is my last slide. So, really, I just want to talk about capacity of the corridor. Well, how many -- how do we know that the one lane can work? Well, in a way it is kind of You can talk about all the different simple. analysis, but you can also just kind of look at the box. If this was a much more simple corridor, usually you can get about seventeen hundred vehicles in a lane in one direction. That is kind of a little bit more ideal situation. That is really not when you are talking about in an urban environment like this because it gets reduced when you get to (26:43) traffic signals. Traffic signals are the --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Excuse me. It is really difficult to relate it if we can't really see

1 that. 2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It is illegible and 3 so small. MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: We apologize that 4 5 you can't see this. 6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (inaudible comment) 7 ALAN CLOUTIER: I guess I can try to --8 I'll essentially tell you the numbers. 9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It would help to do 10 that. 11 ALAN CLOUTIER: Well, I will just tell you what the numbers are. Okay, so I mentioned in ideal 12 13 conditions. So, really, when you are talking about are signals, essentially, you can get usually about a 14 thousand vehicles in a through lane at a signal. It 15 16 is usually a little difficult to get anything more 17 than that. That is less than the seventeen hundred I 18 talked about because you are stopping for part of the time during the red. So, that is essentially a rule 19 20 of thumb, what you can get through at a signal, and 21 then you can essentially look at what do we have for 22 volumes in the westbound direction.

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fairly current, so our volumes in the westbound

So really, during -- this is 2008,

direction really vary. It is actually a bit higher at Thorndike Street, where we have eight hundred and fifty-two. That was during the pm, and during the other hours, we were actually considerably less than that thousand. So, we are in that five hundred. We are in that, you know, essentially five hundred to about nine hundred range, and it actually goes up to 2028. So, we have a little, a different range here. So, we are still actually below a thousand, and that is really kind of the most simplistic way of looking at it. How many -- how much can you get in a single lane, and we have less than that.

Now, at this location, we are at nine thirty-seven. That is at Thorndike, since that is the variable, along the side street. In that situation, you can actually get a little bit more than that thousand. You can actually get closer to about twelve hundred. So, you don't really have to look at the numbers. The volume is below our capacity.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Is that build or no-build, the 2028? It wasn't clear.

ALAN CLOUTIER: Oh, it is the same volumes no matter what, whether we build the project or not.

It is in the future. We are not talking about -- we are just talking how many cars out there right now. So, I think, with that, I am going to be passing that back off to John Michalak. It's right behind you.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (inaudible comment)

JOHN MICHALAK: Thanks, Al. So, one of the comments, questions, or I guess confusions that keeps coming up and we keep hearing is, from the Town and MassDOT, is how do we determine the number of lanes and why wouldn't the roadway support the four lane cross-section? Why not two lanes in each direction?

As Alan had pointed out, and the first thing we did when we undertook this project, was looked at the traffic volumes to see how many lanes this roadway actually needs and all of the numbers showed that, in order to handle the capacity, you only need one lane in each direction, and that is just on -- that is just based on the capacity. So, there's other considerations, turn lanes, which dictates the design for the intersections and how many cars will get through each intersection.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: More than cars.

JOHN MICHALAK: And based on --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Quiet.

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JOHN MICHALAK: -- that criteria, developed a three-lane roadway section, two lanes in the eastbound, since there is more traffic in the AM in than there is the PMpeak travelling westbound. So, that being said, that is how determined how to allocate the space. We didn't just decide we were going to build from all of the other roads and then think of the traffic last. We actually did look at the traffic analysis and, as you have seen, we have looked at it many times, even though recently with some new analysis tools.

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That being said, when we decided the best way to allocate the space, one of the important aspects of the project was to accommodate bicycles and, with that extra space, if you don't need to design the roadway for four lanes, the best treatment for bicycles are bicycle lanes and bicycle lanes give bicyclists a dedicated area to ride and make motorists more aware that there may be bicycles present. (applause) I think that is a very important point to make.

So, why not a four-lane section? Well, first of all, it doesn't meet government standards. There are government standards for roadway widths and

what we have shown in previous presentations is that you would actually need sixty-eight feet from curb to curb in order to build a four-lane roadway with shared outside lanes that are fifteen feet wide in order to accommodate bicycles and cars in a shared lane adjacent to on-street parking; and, as I mentioned before, eighty-five percent of this corridor is less than sixty-eight feet.

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So, that being said, there is a -- there are standards that we are supposed to meet and these standards are based on safety. So, if you don't need four lanes, why would you compromise in order to design something that would be less safe. You would also have long pedestrian crossings with a four-lane As I pointed out, the shorter pedestrian section. crossings are safer for pedestrians. You would also narrow the bus stops. There wouldn't be enough room for ten foot wide bus stops under a four-lane section. So, the buses would actually encroach into that outermost lane, which is actually currently happens today.

So, here is a four-lane section and, when there is a bicycle in the roadway, the buses actually have to encroach into this outer lane and there is

not enough room for two vehicles to proceed side-byside, and this is what a four-lane section would end up doing.

Below this, we show the three-lane which, the space is allocated, everybody knows where they are supposed to go. The bus doesn't have to leave its lane to go around a bicycle. Additionally, if the bus tried to stay in his own lane because, in a four-lane section, there would be a car in the outermost lane, and you couldn't change lanes, he would be able to overtake the bicycle. So, the bicycle would actually be in that travel lane. So, it would actually impede traffic flow. They wouldn't be sharing the road as they would if there was enough space for the roadway.

So, I think that was an important point to make because we keep hearing, why are we not using the four-lane section? Why is the four-lane section not proposed for this corridor? So, based on that criteria, we feel that this is the best design for the corridor. It allocates the space for all users. It improves safety for all users and it doesn't sacrifice any of the safety just to accommodate vehicles. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Okay. Before we open up the hearing to the public, we are going to talk about the procedure. First, we will ask any Federal, State or Local officials to speak, and then, any Elected Town Meeting Members, and then the General Public. If you do want to speak, please make a line behind each of those three microphones in an orderly fashion, as best as you can. Thank you.

First, are there any Federal officials here tonight that would like to make a comment? Any State officials that would like to make a comment? This is Senator Ken Donnelly.

KEN DONNELLY: Good evening. Thank you. I am Senator Ken Donnelly, representing the Fourth Middlesex District, which includes Arlington. I am a resident of Arlington, lived here for over fifty years, and I grew up in East Arlington.

In an effort to respect the other speakers, I will limit my comments to a few minutes. I know that, after a rocky start, the Mass. Ave. Corridor Project has undergone significant change and compromise. There have been numerous meetings, and many of the suggestions from residents and town officials have been incorporated; not all, but a

significant amount. The design now reflects that change and I think it is a good design and, DOT, please hear this.

Arlington is a Town Meeting form of government. This project has the unanimous approval of the Selectmen and the Town Meeting has rejected several efforts to stop this project from moving forward. I know that there is still debate about three lanes, four lanes, bike lanes, no bike lanes, etc., but we are at the point where we must move forward or I am afraid lose the funding for this project. (applause)

I didn't talk to the DOT. Please, DOT, correct me if I am wrong, although I don't think so. At this point, here are the realities to be fixed. One, according to the MassDOT, there must be bicycle accommodations in the form of bike lanes or wider outside travel lanes as part of the Mass. Ave. Corridor Project.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: That's a lie.

KEN DONNELLY: In four lanes -- in a fourlane scenario -- I would like the respect of being able to speak, thank you. (applause) There isn't enough room to have larger outside travel lanes all the way along the avenue, so the sidewalks would have to be reduced or footage would need to be taken for parking along most of the corridor. MassDOT will not fund a project that does not include bicycle accommodations. That is according to the DOT and, if I am wrong, please correct me.

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Two, DOT has told me that the latest they can advertise а Federal Aid project is early September of this year in order to use the money currently programmed for the project. To make that date, DOT would need to have a one hundred percent approved design within the next several months so that they and Federal Highway have time to review There is not enough time to redesign final plans. the project and meet the September deadline. design would go back to twenty-five percent and the project would reset. The Town has run out of design money. So, now money would have to be appropriated for new design work. DOT would have to go through the review process again, and there would have to be a Twenty-Five Percent Design Review Public Hearing.

Three, the pavement condition on the road has deteriorated in the last several years and is considered to be in poor condition with numerous

areas of cracking. Given the harshness of this winter, DOT would expect it will require repairs prior to next winter.

And lastly, to the question of whether we would lose the funding currently awarded to this project, there is no way to know. However, the Town would have to apply once again to get the project programmed on the TIP. This takes years, with numerous projects I know of in my district waiting to get any money available, and any of that associated with this project, while they may last, would cover well less than half the cost of the project, as the bulk of the State and Federal funding would be lost.

I believe that we all want to make Mass. Ave. safe for everyone who uses it, address the poor conditions of the road, make it more business friendly, and plan for the future. It is time to make a decision that will determine whether we will go on using the funding available to us or wait and use the local money, our money, instead of the State and Federal funds to make necessary repairs to the road in the near future.

My concern is, with all of the competing

projects, and the State funds are scarce, we will lose this funding. I have met with the -- all over the State, with the Secretary of Transportation, looking for money for projects. We know that we see frustration. Funding from the Federal Government is drying up. We know for a fact there's twenty million -- billion dollars -- I'm sorry, twenty billion dollars in infrastructure repairs that we need in this state with our bridges, our roads and our infrastructure, and there are competing projects all over the State looking for the money.

My concern, if we do not meet the September deadline, the project is very likely dead, and we will lose the one hundred percent funds, 6.8 million dollars, and that I will have to go back, and we all have to go back and tell the taxpayers in this town that they are going to have to put up funds for this project because, right now, eighty percent of that is coming from the Federal Government, twenty percent from the State.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: We are the Federal Government, too.

KEN DONNELLY: Most likely, we will never see this funding commitment again. It will be our

Town dollars that will fix this road. So, please, thank you for hearing this DOT, and I will like to have that message sent loud and clear back to the State. Thank you. (applause)

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MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Thank you, Senator Donnelly. I would also like to recognize State Representative David Rogers in the audience, and the Arlington Board of Selectmen are here as a delegation. Would any Local Officials like to make a comment?

KEVIN GREELEY: Thank you, Ms. Rose. Can you all hear me?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Oh, yes.

KEVIN GREELEY: Do you want to hear me?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Yes.

KEVIN GREELEY: My name is Kevin Greeley Chairman of the Arlington Board and Ι am Selectmen, and last evening the Board of Selectmen took a vote and asked that I speak on behalf of the Board instead of you having to listen to all five Would you like to vote on that? members. others may want to speak but I do want to introduce my colleagues who are here. Mr. Dan Dunn, Mr. Joe Curro and Mr. Steven Byrne, and I speak on their behalf, and also is Diane Mahon anywhere in the hall?

Okay. I think she is involved in a cheerleading competition but, on behalf of the Board of Selectmen, they asked that I come here tonight as -- to tell you how we are unanimous, as a Board of Selectmen, as Traffic and Parking Commissioners, we are unanimous in supporting this project. We want to -- (applause)

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We want to thank Federal Highway. We want to thank MassDOT for working with us for the last five years, and we look forward to working with them as we move from here to finalize the design, go out to bid and start and finish this project. We believe that this is a project that is unique in the history of the Town of Arlington. It is necessary to the Town of Arlington and it is a very exciting project, and it is unique, and you have heard this from other speakers. Five years of input on this project. will hear a lot more tonight. All of that input, in my opinion, has been included in the design to the degree possible. It is not possible to design something that would satisfy every person in this hall, never mind the forty-three thousand residents in the Town of Arlington.

It is unique from the point of view also, I

believe, that we have this opportunity to have a unanimous agreement among all the elected officials who work on this kind of projects. Will everybody be satisfied? No. But this is a good solution. It's unique. It is necessary. We MUST improve the safety. We MUST improve the roadway. We MUST improve the technology. We MUST improve parking and we MUST improve handicap accessibility throughout this corridor.

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So, how do we do it? This is how we do it, with this project that we are about to undertake. is unique. It's necessary, and I personally feel it is a very exciting project for business development, for beautification, and to create a destination versus an area that we look to rush through, going in or out of the Town of Arlington. (applause) If we the benefits of this plan, we need to know qo forward. It is unique. It's necessary. exciting and especially ask ourselves this question. We must do this. If we don't do it together with Federal Highway or the MassDOT, how will we get it done? Thank you very much. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Thank you, Selectman. Any other Local Officials that would like

to make a comment before I open it to the Town 1 2 Meeting Representatives? Yes, ma'am. When 3 approach the microphone, would you please state your 4 name and spell your last name for the record? 5 JANICE DALLAS: My name is Janice Dallas, 6 and it is spelled D-a-l-l-a-s. I am a Commissioner 7 on the Disabilities Commission for Arlington, and we 8 are all behind this project because we know the 9 hazards that we face and other handicapped people 10 face every day. I mean, even in the snow, we have a 11 member in a wheelchair who has to get to work, and has to be in the street. You know, it's just --12 13 thank you. (applause) MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Okay. Any other 14 Local Officials who would like to make a comment? 15 16 Yes, sir. 17 CHRISTOPHER TONKIN: Hello. My name is 18 Christopher Tonkin, T-o-n-k-i-n, and Ι am the 19 Chairman of the Arlington Bicycle Advisory Committee. 20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Can't hear you.

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CHRISTOPHER TONKIN: Is the microphone working? I am the Chairman of the Arlington Bicycle Advisory Committee and we are on record as supporting the bicycle accommodations, strongly supporting, on

the Mass. Ave. development of the corridor. We will be believe this а biq advantage to all travelers. Bicycles will know where they are Cars will know where they supposed to be. supposed to be and each of them will know where they are supposed to be. We also think it is going to be a great improvement for pedestrians, as well. you. (applause)

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MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Any other Local Officials before I open it up to the Town Meeting Representatives? Okay. Are there any Elected Town Meeting Representatives who would like to make a comment? Please approach the microphone in a line. There is a microphone over here, as well. Yes. I am going to start timing people now. Three minute time limit, if you can please keep to that. Thank you. The woman in the center, please.

CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you. My name is Clarissa Rowe. I am a Town Meeting Member from Precinct 8 -- I mean 4. Excuse me. I used to live in Precinct 8. I now live in 4. I am East Arlington resident. I am also a slow walker. I want to thank MassHighway for coming out here. We appreciate your coming again and again, and again.

I am one hundred and ten percent in favor of this project. It is a great project. It is a good balance of bicycle and car, and walking, and buses having equal space in a very congested corridor.

I am very concerned by what I am hearing tonight about the possibility of the Town losing the funding and -- or having it come back to the Arlington citizens, and I am about to be a Senior Citizen, so my money is going to mean even more, to come up with the amount of money, 6.8 million dollars, that will come out of my pocket and not out of the Federal Government and the State Government. It really is a concerned for me and I am hoping that other people that are thinking about voting in the Town Elections will really consider that.

The No-Build option is really not an option in my opinion. Both Cambridge and Lexington are working on their sections of Massachusetts Avenue. They are making their -- they are updating their sections. We want East Arlington to be a vital business community. It is, but it will be even more vital if it is -- if the road is updated and the sidewalks are wider so old ladies like me can cross

the street and get from one side of the street to the other, so I can go and see my favorite dress shop.

This has been a long process. There have been a lot of meetings. Luckily, I am now on this side of the aisle instead of where you are sitting, but I really think that there has been a lot of consideration. I would hope, because I am the first speaker tonight, of the Public, that we can be as civil as possible. There has been not a civil dialogue in the past, and it is very important for people to be really heard today. So, I ask people to think carefully about where the money is going to come from if we say no to this project, and thank you very much for your time. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: We will go in order like this. You next, sir.

PHIL GOFF: Thank you. My name is Phil Goff. I am the Chair of the East Arlington Liveable Streets Coalition. I am also on the Project Advisory Committee that the Town set up and I am a Town Meeting Member, Precinct 7. I live on Grafton Street in East Arlington.

One thousand five hundred and ninety-seven days ago, I went to my first public meeting for this

project, believe it or not, it seemed like a million years ago. George W. Bush was President.

Since then, I have attended ten, at least ten Advisory Committee meetings, ten more public meetings, workshops, hearings. There were a few others with neighborhood groups, with businesses, that I missed unfortunately. To imply that the community has not had their say in this project is just ridiculous. Apparently, this is what the Federal Highway Administration has said recently, however, so we are here. Federal Highway has also insisted that the Town and MassDOT do yet another round of traffic analysis and monitoring that has gone on for four and a half years.

One of the great benefits of this, I must say, is that we now have even more evidence that the catastrophic traffic spilling over onto side streets, long promised by some of the project proponents, will simply not happen. The analysis has shown the current three lane plan will only create twenty-six, twenty-six, seconds of additional travel time in 2028, only westbound, only between the hours of five and six pm, probably only when school is in session and probably because of the new traffic light at

Bates Road.

In exchange for this extra twenty seconds of -- twenty-six seconds of travel time, the community gets a slew of improvements, 24/7, three hundred and sixty-five days a year; pedestrians crossing three lanes rather than four, refuge islands at key crosswalks in Capital Square, wider sidewalks in the heart of Capital Square for extra seating, for trees, for bike racks and to accommodate theater lines. We get more spaces, more space for buses to pull in traffic, and we have bike lanes for safer, more predictable behavior for cyclists and motorists. None of these benefits are available if we simply repave the roadway with four lanes and tweak the traffic signals, as some would have us do.

Fifty-three months of planning design for a one-mile roadway project is simply enough. To Federal Highway, who I know is not here, but I know they are going to read the transcripts, and to MassDOT which I know is here, and Town Officials, State Officials, let's bring this to one hundred percent design, let's put it out to bid and we can all look forward to safer, a slower, a greener and a more business-friendly Mass. Ave. Thank you.

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2	MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: The gentleman in
3	the orange, please.
4	GORDON JAMIESON: Thank you. My name is
5	Gordon Jamieson, J-a-m-i-e
6	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: We can't hear you.
7	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Speak up.
8	GORDON JAMIESON: This microphone is
9	okay. My name is Gordon Jamieson, J-a-m-i-e-s-o-n.
10	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Use the mike.
11	GORDON JAMIESON: Can you hear it?
12	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.
13	GORDON JAMIESON: Okay. Gordon Jamieson,
14	J-a-m-i-e-s-o-n. I am a Town Meeting Member for
15	Precinct 12. I have been a Town Meeting Member for
16	nine years, and I sure wish we had this type of
17	attendance at all our meetings.
18	I admire the passion of the opponent but
19	Mr. Berger in the center who will speak next, I
20	disagree with them. I voted with Town Meeting
21	overwhelmingly. We voted to support this project.
22	You have heard from Mr. Greeley, the Chair of the
23	Board of Selectmen. They voted to support this and

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Mr. Donnelly, our Senator in the Statehouse, who

overwhelmingly supports this.

I have to admit that I followed this from afar. There are some people who blog on this, and I have used that, beyond what we have heard in Town Meeting, but I was very impressed with the superb, from my point, thoughtful, multi-modal plan that was presented to us tonight. I think the end result is quite admirable, given all the discussion previously, all the points that were raised, that I won't reiterated.

What I drill this down to is a question of two in one out versus two in two out and, with the two in and one out, you get bicycles, pedestrian and bus accommodations and, with the two in and two out, from my point of view, you just get the two in and two out, and nothing else, nothing vibrant for East Arlington to grow and succeed as a vibrant part of our -- one of our three economic centers in the Town of Arlington.

For those who say it's congestion, it's congestion, it's congestion, there is congestion everywhere in Arlington during rush hour. We live in a thickly settled, one of the most densely populated towns in the Commonwealth. Well, guess what? We all

have jobs. We go places, to school, to work, to whatever. So, there's traffic. Fortunately, we have a multi-modal plan that can help address that.

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For those who are going east, I do that sometimes. I work out of the home. I admit, I don't do this every day, but I have driven Mass. Ave. during rush hour. Yes, it's a mess but it is not because of Arlington. It is because of what you hit, that brick wall that you hit when you hit Cambridge line. It is the Cambridge traffic and the Alewife Brook Parkway. It is not Arlington. So, fixing this to your four lanes that problem. versus three lanes, that is not going to fix that The problem is somewhere else. problem. project cannot address that. That's another problem DOT needs to address, but not within the scope of this problem, and I strongly support your solution and thank you. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, sir.

ERIC BERGER: Don't start the clock yet, please because you and I have discussed this beforehand and I commented to Kimberly Sloan a week ago. I am going to be speaking to thousands of people tonight, and there are some people here --

1	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Start the clock.
2	ERIC BERGER: And that no, hold on,
3	please.
4	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Why would he get
5	special
6	ERIC BERGER: Hold on. Because there are
7	some people who could have gotten up here tonight. I
8	have about a five minute speech. We have been
9	working on this for four years.
10	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Start the clock.
11	ERIC BERGER: I'm sorry. No, I'm sorry.
12	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: He is not an Elected
13	Official, so
14	ERIC BERGER: I am sorry. Mr. Donnelly
15	could have had all night and he spoke well. He spoke
16	well. There was no limit on Mr. Donnelly and that's
17	fine.
18	MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: I understand your
19	concerns but we really have to limit everybody. We
20	are treating everybody the same.
21	ERIC BERGER: I could have
22	MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Three minutes.
23	ERIC BERGER: We could have had other
24	people wait a minute. We could have had other

1	people get on line. I could have.
2	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Start the clock!
3	ERIC BERGER: I am telling you right now, I
4	am going to keep going.
5	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Start the clock,
6	please.
7	ERIC BERGER: You can start it, but I am
8	going to keep going.
9	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You have to abide by
10	our rules, too.
11	ERIC BERGER: No, you can arrest me then.
12	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Start the clock,
13	please. This is not fair.
14	MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Time is started.
15	ERIC BERGER: Okay. I am going to keep
16	going. I'm telling you.
17	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Quiet.
18	ERIC BERGER: My name is Eric Berger. I am
19	an Arlington resident and a Town Meeting Member, and
20	I am going to speak tonight for many thousands of
21	people that are not here, the ninety-eight percent
22	that travel on Mass. Ave. in motor vehicles, who are
23	sick and tired of getting the removal of a traffic
24	lane shoved down their thoughts. The ninety-eight

percent is worried sick about the possibility of a Mass. Ave. with only through travel lanes.

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Recent snowstorms have pounded home some inconvenient truths of what happens when you take away a travel lane for a mile and there is no left turn lanes for a half mile to Lake Street. Gridlock happens. Gridlock like along Pleasant and Lake Streets. The grade level of service increased on the side street traffic down the narrow side street of East Arlington, for example, and slowed response times of our emergency vehicles.

Now, in their homes and hearts, residents love Arlington but they are disgusted with the lies justifying removing a lane, like the lie about how the Town must install bike lanes to get State and Federal money, and one of the biggest that was told tonight, which is, you can't get four lanes in there and, if you put four lanes in there, you are going to lose the money. Not true. We know this. We have been working on this for four years. misled the public there. You can get the four lanes. The sixty-eight feet thing is not true and, also, the fifteen foot shared lane is not true. Many ways to work it out. They put that out there because they are saying all the money is gone, and Senator Donnelly, who was speaking from the heart, has been misled. He believes that, if you put in four lanes, you can't do it, and he has been misled.

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UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It is a safety consideration.

Okay. Now, the Town's plans ERIC BERGER: to eliminate a traffic lane was developed in secrecy. Six years, I'm telling you, six years, from 2002 to 2008, there was not a single public meeting. plan began in 2002. On the Town's own time line, there is not a single public meeting listed for six years. How come that was? Because it developed in collusion. You are telling me I am wrong? There was not a single public meeting for six years while this plan was developed. How come? How come there was no public meetings? Yeah, there were public meetings after the plan was shoved down their throats in 2009. the public found out from the Arlington Then Advocate article that, oh, my God, they are taking away travel lanes? You are kidding me. Then the place got packed. That is what was going on.

And here is another thing. According to the MassDOT Chief's Council, there were thousands of

1	comments that were handed in. Let me tell you this,
2	Mr. Broderick handed in a report to the Federal
3	Highway Administration about a month ago and he said,
4	you know something? At the last hearing, in 2011,
5	April, there were a hundred and eighty (applause)
6	(various people shouting comments that are inaudible
7	due to applause) No, I'm not going. I am not doing
8	that. I'm sorry. I'm not going. No. No, no. I
9	told you, I could have had other people up here to
10	speak. Ma'am, I want another minute.
11	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You don't deserve
12	it.
13	ERIC BERGER: I don't deserve it?
14	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Why should you be
15	any different?
16	ERIC BERGER: Because I could have other
17	speak up here and go all night.
18	(inaudible - more than one person speaking
19	at once)
20	MICHAEL TREPANIER: There is a three minute
21	rule this evening. Mr. Berger, if you could please
22	step step back. If you could please step back, we
23	want to get to everyone here tonight. You can submit
24	your comments in writing if you feel it is necessary.

1	There is plenty of time to write a letter to the
2	Chief. We want to get to everyone else here. These
3	are just the first round of Town Meeting Officials
4	and there are plenty of others who have attended this
5	meeting that want to speak. It is only fair. Please
6	step back.
7	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you.
8	(applause)
9	MOLLY FLUECKIGER: I am a Molly Flueckiger.
10	That is F-l-u-e-c-k-i-g-e-r. I am a homeowner on
11	Fairmont Street, a Town Meeting Member and also a
12	Member of the Disability Commission. Mr. Berger does
13	not speak for me.
14	MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Could you speak up,
15	please.
16	MOLLY FLUECKIGER: Sure. Sorry about that.
17	I will keep it brief. I am here tonight because my
18	husband and I enthusiastically support this project.
19	We believe it will be good for our neighborhood and
20	it will improve pedestrian safety. I look forward to
21	a more vibrant community where I can feel more
22	comfortable walking my dog and kids across the
23	street. Thank you. (applause)
24	MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Next gentleman.

ALAN JONES: I am Alan Jones, J-o-n-e-s, Precinct 14. I wanted to correct something my good friend, Mr. Greeley, said. This project didn't start five or six years ago. It started about fifteen years ago when two of our neighbors were killed crossing that sea of asphalt and then, in 2002, our friend, George (Lake), who I don't know if he is here, I believe the East Arlington Good Neighbor Committee called a meeting at the basement of the Fox Library, that I was at, to try to figure out what in the heck can we do to make this safer and not lose any more of our citizens in road kill.

So, it has been going on a long time. Now, I am happy with the outcome. I think it's good that safety has been the number one, two and three priority of this whole project. I am glad to see that other nice amenities have been fit in. I think we can make Arlington a much more attractive, especially our grand entrance out of Cambridge. You know, we can get those Elm trees back.

I was disappointed during the project that an extra lane was added to the eastbound when three separate engineering groups have demonstrated that, with a roadway with this amount of volume, one lane

in each direction would be plenty as Louis Berger, BHD and FST, they all confirmed that. Anyone who doesn't believe it, I have got the documents. I have been to all the meetings. There have been plenty of meetings going on.

So, I am really encouraged to see this start happening in a couple of months and I did want to, you know, Mr. Donnelly said that, if we don't get State and Federal money, we have to do something anyway. I am also a member of the Finance Committee. I know where that money will come from. It is called a Debt Exclusion. It goes on your tax bill. Isn't it a lot better to get some federal money from our friends out of New York City. They don't pay for our roads. Anyway, I am looking forward to this. I think it is a great project. (applause)

MARK KAEPPLEIN: Hi. My name is Mark Kaepplein, K-a-e-p-p-l-e-i-n. I am a Town Meeting Member for Precinct 7. First, I am against the loss of a travel lane and want to keep four lanes as we have had for decades, along with some improvements like pedestrian activated crossing signals as at Mill Street currently.

Second, I want to thank the U.S. Department

of Transportation for making a second hearing possible. Thank you for making sure laws and engineering standards will be followed.

I want to speak to Senator Donnelly's comments. His warning should be heeded in various communities of what happens when residents aren't listened to and the consequences that are possible. Instead of giving residents an opportunity to see a four-lane plan and a three-lane plan, and choose between them, the Arlington Selectmen dug in their heels instead, and this is what we have now, where it puts money at risk. It drags on projects. (applause)

The wisdom is very clear in the Massachusetts DOT Design Handbook that communities ought to be involved early and information flow freely and multiple design options presented. I have some inconvenient to expose.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can you fix the mike? (inaudible phrase)

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Step away from the mike a little. Step away.

MARK KAEPPLEIN: Okay. In the only other public hearing, I found claims of vastly reduced pedestrian crossing distances impossible and untrue.

The claims were made in public presentations and in the Functional Design Report. FST tried to deceive the public by measuring crossing distance in the current road from curb-to-curb and, in the proposed design, from walking into the road past the parking lane and past the bike lane, and then crossing to a similar point standing on the road, waiting to get hit by a cyclist. So, stating that crossing the street from standing in the road is shorter than from the curb would have been a more accurate but less impressive point.

At this do-over hearing, because all public input from the first hearing was ignored, I want to explore how FST made three travel lanes somehow appear to carry as much traffic as four lanes, something that even a first grader would not believe.

I found that FST's -- (applause) I found that FST distorted reality at the Lake Street intersection, making four -- the current plan look bad for headed traffic -- for traffic headed towards the center, that they claim there is only room for a left turn lane and one travel lane. The reality is, when busy, a left turn lane forms, and two travel lanes.

So, essentially, the simulation software

then predicts some traffic will get stuck waiting 1 2 behind others waiting to turn left. (applause) 3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Your time is up. So, I have a question. 4 MARK KAEPPLEIN: What regulations allow you to combine a turn lane 5 6 with a bus stop and a loading zone, or do you have an approved exception? (applause) 7 MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, ma'am, on the 8 9 right. 10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Please don't harass 11 me. Hi, everybody. My name is 12 SUSAN STAMPS: 13 Susan Stamps. I am a Town Meeting Member for Precinct 3, which is Ground Zero of the Mass. Ave. Corridor 14 Project. I have talked to a lot of my constituents 15 16 and, while there are a few people who I have talked 17 to, who do not support the project, the vast majority 18 are really excited about this project, 19 enthusiastically support it. 20 In my precinct, we have a lot of young 21 families. They are in beautiful, old 1920's two-22 family houses on leafy streets. It is a wonderful 23 place to live and, across the street, across Mass.

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Ave., if they can get across it with their little

kids, they can get to the bike path. They can go down to Spy Pond Park. It is a wonderful place to live. Unfortunately, they can't get across Mass. Ave. because it is extremely dangerous. There is no way. There is no time to get across there with a baby carriage and a two-year old child.

So, I wanted to convey my constituents basic support for the project and also just remind those who are up here still complaining about it, that this project has been thoroughly vetted by Town Meeting and Town Meeting, which is the legislative body of Arlington has endorsed this project. I really think that speaks volumes. (applause)

And, in closing, I was asked to read a letter of support for this project by a business owner on Mass. Ave. It is the owner of Salvage Limited at 112 Mass. Ave., Ellen Erickson. She had to be out of town on business.

The letter is to Mr. Broderick, Chief Engineer of MassDOT, and she says, Last November, I opened a -- I -- I am sorry about that. Last November, I opened a retail shop on Mass. Ave. in East Arlington. Did I mention the name of the shop is Salvage Limited?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.

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SUSAN STAMPS: Sells really cool vintage furnishings and so on. She says, I'm -- not an She said, I am writing in support of advertisement. the Mass. Ave. Corridor Plan, which would transform the current avenue into three automobile traffic lanes and two bicycles lanes. Since my business has been operating, I have seen a serious need for traffic calming measure. The current roadway is dangerous for both drivers and pedestrians alike, etc., etc. I see my time -- okay. So, she savs, cars and trucks constantly speed along Mass. Ave., passing each other without much order and the new plan addresses these problems.

Although I understand the concerns that the road construction would cause short term problems for local businesses, these worries are outweighed by the long term benefits that both residents and businesses would gain. The new plan would help by calming traffic, connecting both sides of Mass. Ave. for pedestrians and adding much needed bicycle infrastructure. I support the Mass. Ave. Corridor Plan and (inaudible phrase because of applause) Thank you very much.

1 MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, sir.

BOB RADOCHIA: Hi. My name is Bob Radochia, R-a-d-o-c-h-i-a. I am from Precinct 10 Town Meeting -- 11 Town Meeting Member and, when the kids take the car away from me, I plan on living down in East Arlington so I can walk everywhere. There are a lot of nice things about this thing I like but there are some questions I have, that I am concerned with.

I am not fully buying into the one lane coming out of Mass. Ave. I do that in the morning coming out of Cambridge and it is a low peak time, but it is bad enough then. I can't imagine what it might be like later. Okay.

The major concern I have is the fact that the bus stop in front of the Capitol is -- doesn't address all the safety concerns. With the crossover bike lane, bicycle lane in there, the buses come in, buses sticking out in the lane, cars trying to go through that, we haven't addressed that problem at all with this. The bus stop really belongs on the other side, on the Lake Street side, and my understanding is that this is because the merchants over there requested it not be there.

Now, the Town has recently agreed to looking into moving the bus stop in front of the Regent because he doesn't want it there. Why can't we move it to the other side, where it really belongs and it will clean up that corner in terms of the traffic going through in the morning.

Now, I understand, I know one of the owners uses that as a permanent place to leave his truck during the day but he could find a place, or the Town could help him find a place somewhere else for his truck and do this thing the right way.

The other concern I have is, aesthetically, when you look at the renderings and things, it looks nice but nobody looked the overhead wires that are down there. I know it is not in this project, the scope of this, but I think the Town ought to be looking into that because we are going to have something that is going to look nice, but then we have to look at all those ugly wires. (applause)

The other one is Bates Road. I see that being a problem in that where the lights, somebody coming through from Broadway, they see a green light, they are going to up their speed to about forty, fifty miles an hour to make that light, and I think

(applause) -- I think we could be open to the counting curbs, or whatever curbs, whatever they call them, these ten foots, slightly elevated, not a speed bump, but it kind of slows down the traffic. It calms it down. They have them in Lexington, Belmont, every place else. It is a slight thing and it would stop that but I think Bates Road is in for a big time with this thing, so that's where I am. Thank you. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, ma'am.

BARBARA BOLTZ: Hi. My name is Barbara Boltz, B-o-l-t-z, and I am a Town Meeting Member from Precinct 9, which is in the Center but, for seventeen years when I first came to Arlington, I lived in East Arlington and I couldn't be more thrilled about this plan, not just for the traffic. I am someone who drives, rides the bus and walks, and so, it is going to be a big benefit to me and many others in town like me.

I hadn't really planned to speak tonight, so I don't have any remarks prepared but I do just want to express my, as Clarissa, a hundred and ten percent, if there is such a thing, support for this project.

Another thing that I like about it, it is going to make the East Arlington business district a more beautiful and more attractive place for people come. They will be driving through and they might say, oh, this is really attractive. Why don't I stop here and see what's here, and I think that would be a big benefit to the Town, as well. So, I thank you all and, as I say, I am very much in support of the project. Thank you. (applause)

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ROBIN DRATCH: Can everybody hear me?
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.

ROBIN DRATCH: I will keep it very short. My name is Robin Dratch, D-r-a-t-c-h. I live at 70 Teel Street. I am the Chairman of Precinct 3 Town I am a thirty-four year resident of East Meeting. Arlington and a twenty-year Town Meeting Member from Precinct 3, and a homeowner, and I know a lot of people in my precinct, obviously, because I have lived there for thirty-four years. Ι have prominent house next to a playground. Ι feel everybody has a dog or child in the precinct, and I have been informally polling my constituents for at least four years and, with very few exceptions, every one that I am talking to is in favor of it. So, I am

here tonight to speak for them. I have heard a few people who are against it, but not adamantly, and the vast majority that I know are in favor of it. That is all I have to say. Thank you. (applause)

HUGH MCCRORY: Hello. My name is Hugh McCrory. That is M-c-C-r-o-r-y. I am a Town Meeting Member for several years. I have been living in Arlington for probably nine years. As a Town Meeting Member, as a parent, as a citizen, as a pedestrian, as a cyclist, as a driver, I support this plan, and I -- everyone, or most of the people I spoke to support it, also.

I live in Precinct 20, which is in the west part of Arlington and my point is that this is not just an East Arlington issue, this is an Arlington issue, and it will affect the livelihood of all of the residents of Arlington, not just people living in East Arlington.

I want to applaud the Elected Officials and decision makers in this process for a true demonstration of a democratic process, even though it has been contentious. Time and time again at Town Meeting decision, the silent majority have supported this project.

So, I would urge you to do your best in a, as Clarissa Rowe had said, not to paraphrase her, but in a moderate way, in a level-headed way. So, I just wish you good luck in the process and I look forward to spending even more time in East Arlington on the beautified area and improved shopping that hopefully will come from this project. Thank you very much. (applause)

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SEAN HARRINGTON: is My Sean name Harrington, Precinct 15, Precinct 15 Chair. Before I go on, I want to just kind of repeat something that one of my good friends, though I oppose her sometimes and I oppose her tonight, said about civility. I see children in this room tonight, and I really hope that they don't take in and take in any of the jeering that was here tonight. You know what? find it despicable, deplorable. We are adults here and we need to act like adults. (applause) Simple enough.

You know, there are so many members I have known through Town, for the short time I have known these people, such as the late Fred Senate and Mark Butler, who may not have agreed but they would be rolling in their graves right now if they saw the

jeering that we have been seeing tonight. It is really disgusting and it is not at all a step toward democracy. It is just truly disgusting.

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Alright. Moving on, I would like to present to the MassDOT a group of letters, signed from residents, two hundred and sixty-eight residents, thirty-two businesses, who were unable to attend the hearing, who have written their opposition to the Town's plan to eliminate a traffic lane from Mass. Avenue. So, -- (applause)

Lastly, I didn't expect to say anything I didn't have a speech. So, quickly, I heard earlier how someone said that usually Mass. Ave. in East Arlington is used as one lane. I have never seen that. I just never have. It is used as two lanes. It also has been. Certain parts, yes, but the majority of it has been used as two lanes and taking away a travel lane, I am sorry to say, sounds like putting a four pound bag of sand into a three pound bag of sand. You are going to have a lot of overflow. You are going to have a lot of congestion. I just don't see how you are going to make it If you can, good luck, but I just don't see it. Thank you very much. (applause)

1	MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, sir.
2	ADAM AUSTER: Thank you. My name is Adam
3	Auster, A-u-s-t-e-r. I am a Town Meeting Member from
4	Precinct 3. I have been a representative for
5	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Louder.
6	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Microphone.
7	ADAM AUSTER: I'm sorry.
8	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Louder.
9	ADAM AUSTER: Thank you. It might take me
10	a minute to get used to this. Did you get my name?
11	Okay. I have been a Town Meeting Member for
12	seventeen years. I also was one of ten people
13	appointed as Community Representatives to the
13 14	appointed as Community Representatives to the Planning Committee for the project.
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Hardy School. I live on one side of Mass. Ave. The school is on the other side, and it gave me an appreciation of the problem but it also gave me a first hand view of rush hour traffic, and I think that, if you see it from the sidewalk, you see a lot more space than if you see it in your car because, when you are in your car, you are with other cars but, if you are on the sidewalk, you see a lot of empty space, and I would like to suggest, if anyone doubts that they, you know, that there is not enough capacity westbound, outbound, to just go there in the morning and see, which I have done. It is really, really obvious.

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did want to say something about process. I am concerned that public participation is turning into an endurance sport. When people came out to the hearing here two years ago, it was with promise that they would be heard and that also goes for people forgotten, and who testified at the hearings and workshops that the Town held, and there were a lot of them. I therefore ask that the transcript of the hearing two years ago be entered into the record of this proceeding. Otherwise, you disenfranchise people who can't keep coming to meetings and what you have is the dictatorship of the insomniacs. (inaudible phrase due to applause) the Federal Highway Administration, who I am very disappointed is not here. I think it is very disrespectful.

Some people I have spoken to want to make this a big fight about bicycles. I disagree. It is not about bicycles. It is about safety. If there were no such thing as a bicycle, we would still want the shorter crossing distances. We would want the pedestrian safety island. We would want traffic to be more orderly. We would want all of these benefits, which would be physically excluded for a fourth lane, and we wouldn't mind the five million dollars, either. Thank you very much.

So, I hope that you will take the message that the people want the road to be as good as it can be for as many people as it can be, and they want it to be a safe crossing. (applause) If you want to give this to the FHA, I would appreciate it.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay.

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, ma'am.

JEAN CLARK: My name is Jean Clark. I am a citizen. I have the impression that the only

individual behind me who is a Town Meeting Member is Gloria Romano, who graciously this gentleman and myself to go ahead.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- the microphone.

JEAN CLARK: I'm sorry. You can't hear me? Okay.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Just when you turn your head.

JEAN CLARK: So, I guess what I wanted to say is Ms. Romano let myself and this gentleman go ahead, which I am really thankful for, to have this opportunity to speak. I have a four year old and a six year old that are due for bedtime. They are at my sister's house, my sister who is not in favor of the project, but I am. She is like whatever, they don't agree with me, but I guess what I am trying to say is, um, so, yes, I speak to you here.

I am a trained Transportation Planner, on hiatus to raise two children, lifelong Arlington resident, member of the Transportation Advisory Committee, pedestrian, bicyclist, motorist, mom. The point that I am bringing up is, like some of the other speakers that have been here, mostly people I speak with on a daily basis in Arlington -- it is a

thin line between the noise and the --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Just keep going.

JEAN CLARK: -- are in favor of this project. What I am enthused by is the amount of attention that has been put into this detail, to this design. I personally would like to see one lane either direction. I think that is what is warranted as the statistics show. There are people that would like to have four lanes. We have differences of opinion.

This is a plan that I think addresses both of those things. Two lanes headed eastbound will sufficiently address the situation and one lane westbound will narrow it down to include bicycle lanes, and bicycle lanes are the safest way to ride. When you are pulling a child in a bicycle trailer, you don't have to worry about getting clocked by a car that thinks they own the road.

Nothing is scarier to me than when I am driving down Mass. Ave. and I stop for someone who is crossing with their children at the Orvis Street and Grafton -- I think it's at that intersection. It is like a jetway, and it is really scary because you stop but someone comes around behind you and doesn't,

and I have been that person crossing the street.

I want to say that I think Senator Donnelly and Mr. Greeley's points were amazing, and they hit it on the nail. When I worked for the City of Chelsea, we had a very large, six million dollar roadway project that we were guaranteed money only if we had the design complete, and that is the case with Arlington. If Arlington doesn't get it together and get behind this project, we will lose that money. There are several other communities that will take our place.

So, thank you very much, and I am in favor. Please let this go forward. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, ma'am.

PEGGY FENNER: My name is Peggy Fenner. Can you hear me? No? I don't know if this works. My name is Peggy Fenner. I am a twenty-five year resident of Arlington. I served on the committee about four years ago and I asked this question, and I just really, really wish that this would be considered.

Instead of continuing this controversy about the four lanes, three lanes, why haven't you set up a concrete model by blocking off the lane with

cones, doing it for a month, doing it in three seasons (applause) in the summer, in the fall, in whatever time you have left. We are all buzzed to bits by your computer models. We don't believe in them. We need something concrete that shows us this will work. Otherwise, you will have a great plan. Otherwise, the Town will regret this forever. Why aren't we doing this?

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: That would be something that the Town would have to look into. It is a Town facility. MassDOT is only involved as far as this particular project. Something on a temporary basis would be something that your town would have to invest in.

PEGGY FENNER: But it is critical. It is the cornerstone of this. Either it works or it fails. It is a boom or a (back-off bounce), and I think we can't afford not to do this. This is ridiculous. I asked this question four years ago. Are you guys all listening? Is it a possibility because, for God sake, it will either make it wonderful or a total bust. (applause)

BILL MORRIS: My name is Bill Morris and I live on Marathon Street in East Arlington. I have

lived there for sixteen years. Like three thousand people, over three thousand people signed a petition asking for a non-binding resolution at the next Town Meeting that is in April, to ask people whether they wanted three or four lanes. I have deep concerns about reducing the traffic lanes. As someone said, it is not a four pound bag going -- a three pound, a three lane road. It is two pounds going into one lane. It just defies common sense to think that you stop for only twenty-nine seconds longer on that whole mile stretch with a single lane.

And I agree with the woman before, after the woman before, a simulation would be very helpful to answer our concerns. The number one concern people have with this project has been the four lanes to the three lanes, and nothing, none of the changes here have addressed that and we feel like that concern is being ignored and to then present us with a project that does not at all address that and say, now we have got to get the money or we are going to lose it, is just — it is continuing to (inaudible due to microphone problem 1:30:10) the issue.

Finally, I would like to say, I do appreciate everyone's concern here for a livable

1	Mass. Ave., a livable East Arlington. I honestly
2	honor all of you who care about the life we are going
3	to live in East Arlington but I still think that the
4	people who opposed this are not indifferent to that.
5	They care as much about East Arlington as all the
6	people who voted for it. So, thank you. (applause)
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8	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Excuse me. Can you
9	do something about that mike?
10	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Does this one work?
11	(A FEW INAUDIBLE COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE
12	MEMBERS)
13	MARIA ROMANO: Okay. Am I next? No, they
14	are next.
15	MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: I think you are
16	next. I think she is the last Town Meeting Member,
17	and then I will open it up to the public.
18	MARIA ROMANO: Before we start the clock,
19	what he wanted to give me now, let me just explain
20	something. We either have a choice of getting the
21	fifty people up here.
22	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: We can't hear.
23	MARIA ROMANO: I'm sorry. Can you hear me
24	now?

1	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Yes.
2	MARIA ROMANO: Okay. I won't move. We
3	have a choice of me speaking with something that was
4	put together by fifty residents and business owners,
5	and maybe perhaps going over that three minute limit.
6	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: No.
7	MARIA ROMANO: Let me can I finish,
8	please?
9	MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes.
10	MARIA ROMANO: I have been very respectful
11	here tonight, and I want the same to me. I am
12	asking, now we have a choice. I am going to talk as
13	fast as I can. I am a New Yorker. I can get away
14	with it, but within reason. You know, this is
15	important stuff. This is their lives. So
16	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You can submit, if
17	you have a written letter, you can submit it in
18	writing and we will give you three minutes to speak.
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20	MARIA ROMANO: You can hear me now?
21	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.
22	MARIA ROMANO: Everybody knows who I am. I
23	am going to eliminate that. Starting the clock. We
24	are relieved that the Federal Highway Administration

requested this public hearing. They requested it.

It wouldn't have happened, but they requested it.

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The majority of Arlington residents want you to listen carefully. Fix Mass. Ave. Don't ruin Keep four lanes and, please, let the bikes share It is not going to minimize safety. the road. are going to be safe. Pedestrians are going to be safe. The road is going to be fixed, not just paving Don't minimize what we were going to do. it. have a plan from four years ago that covers every State and Federal guideline. The Town never looked It was the alternate plan. It's a good plan, and they never looked at it.

I want to address a fact about abutters. This project started in 2002. It was the best kept secret for six years, and that is not the way a problem -- a project should be run. There was a meeting at the Fox Library in 2009, and residents were invited. The turnout was unprecedented. People upset were filling the room and someone there, one of the officials said, why bother? It's a done deal.

This statement caused a firestorm of action. How dare someone say that to the residents.

This is a done deal? We are not the problem. We

are not holding this project hostage. The flawed plan was the problem four years ago, and the flawed plan is still the problem today. We, the residents and businesses, for years have worked to get this plan right. The pedestrians need safety. That goes without saying. This has never been us versus the bikes. It is about safe and not safe. It is about fixing Mass. Ave., not ruining it. It is about total disclosure, not half truths, better known as a lie. It is not about transparency or under-the-radar deals.

We have before us a Federal Highway Commission listening carefully. There is a Build and No-Build scenario. This is your doing. Do it right. Get the money, so Mass. Ave. can be brought up to the twenty-first century. Again, fix it, don't ruin it.

I personally don't want to hear these myths anymore. Bike lanes or we lose the money. Must do it now or we lose the money. They could have done it four years ago if they listened to us, and listened to what the majority wanted. We have experts who are volunteers, and one of our Selectmen, which I praise him for, says, volunteerism in this town is

1	wonderful. Well, how come our volunteers aren't
2	respected? Why aren't those experts respected and
3	listened to? (applause) The money spent by the Town
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5	MICHAEL TREPANIER: I'm sorry. Your time
6	is up.
7	MARIA ROMANO: Yes, I am sorry, too, but
8	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You have a minute
9	and twenty seconds left.
10	MARIA ROMANO: He wants to give me this
11	minute and twenty seconds.
12	MICHAEL TREPANIER: No, that is not how we
13	are doing this. I'm sorry.
14	MARIA ROMANO: Not how we are doing this.
15	MICHAEL TREPANIER: I'm sorry. Every
16	speaker has thirty three minutes. We are going to
17	move on. We need to be fair. Please step back.
18	MARIA ROMANO: Fair, yes, okay. (applause)
19	MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Next person who
20	wants to speak.
21	JENNIFER GRIFFITH: Does that work? Am I
22	close enough?
23	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.
24	JENNIFER GRIFFITH: Okay. My name is

Jennifer Griffith, G-r-i-f-f-i-t-h, and I have been a homeowner here in East Arlington for over twenty years, and let me be clear, I do have a car and I do drive it on Mass. Ave., and I do not ride my bike on Mass. Ave., but my primary concern is pedestrian safety and increasing pedestrian safety. I believe strongly in this project and I really hope it will go forward. We have had ample opportunity over years and years now of public input. Personally, I am in favor of the original design, which was one lane in each direction, but public input has been taken into account and the design has changed significantly, in ways that I don't necessarily agree with, but I believe that this is a good compromise and we should all be moving forward.

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I also say that one lane heading out of Cambridge and into Arlington is plenty. We just had an example of how that will work by the snowstorm and the snow banks. We had one lane coming out. Now, yes, there was lots of congestion going the other way. We will have to separate that. That is not what we are talking about. We are just talking about the lane from Cambridge towards the center, and one lane is perfectly adequate for that. Yes, maybe if

someone is going to turn left, we might have to just be a little patient. You know, sometimes when you are waiting, it seems like an eternity when it's only really five or ten seconds in reality.

So, I totally believe thirty seconds of added time is all that will be incurred with the one lane in the future because, as I said, it doesn't — thirty seconds can seem like a very long time. So, I am very much in favor of this project. I think we have ample evidence that one lane will be fine, and I hope that we move forward and I am just really disappointed that we are not already starting construction this spring. So, please, please just don't let this get derailed. Thank you. (applause)

CHAD GIBSON: My name is Chad Gibson. I live on Varnum Street in East Arlington, and I committed a misdemeanor tonight on my way to the meeting. I have stolen some town property from Grafton Street, which I will return on my way home, from Grafton Street and Orvis Road and, for those of you that don't live in that area of the neighborhood, these are the flags that you can use to wave --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I use them.

CHAD GIBSON: -- to the cars as you cross the street, right? And this is not just a flag. This is an admonition of our inability in this Town to move a process forward and take pedestrian safety seriously. This should not happen here. I understand why we did it but it shouldn't happen here.

It is just not right, and, you know, you have to ask yourself a couple of questions when you live in East Arlington. It's a great neighborhood. I think everybody should move there. Houses are going off the market quick, and lots of families moving, great stop to live. It is obvious why people are moving there.

The question is, though, if you have a car, which I do, and I have a bike and I have a young daughter that is seven months old. When you go on Mass. Ave. in your car, are you worried about her safety? If you go on Mass. Ave. with your daughter, crossing the crosswalks with her in a stroller, are you worried about her safety then? Would you ever consider taking your daughter on Mass. Ave. in a bike carrier?

The problem is, right now I think that

answer is only yes, no, and no. No, I am not worried about her safety and, yes, I am and, yes, I am. That answer needs to be, I am not worried about her safety if I walk. I am not worried about her safety if I drive and I am not worried about her safety if I decide to ride. That is what needs to happen in this town.

You know, Mass. Ave. was built, you know, a long time ago, we pulled up the railroad tracks and we paved the thing. I wasn't even born yet. I have only lived here for five years. This is not the Arlington of your mother, of the 1950's. This roadway needs to come into the twenty-first century, 2028. We have got to move this thing forward and I am glad to see the support for this and I hope we move forward. Thank you. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, sir.

PARKE WILDE: My name is Parke Wilde, W-i1-d as in David-e. I am a parent of two Arlington
Public School students, and I am a resident of East
Arlington. I have been living here for ten years,
and I am very happy to be here. I am a member of
Calvary Church. I am a member of community
organizations here. I go to Vincent's Barber Shop

where Frank, the proprietor, and many other people are concerned about the -- about the changes that might be coming to East Arlington and I want to take a second and reflect on everybody who is here trying to speak up civilly, trying to engage in the democratic process. Think about the friends who are standing shoulder-to-shoulder with you here, who may have a different point of view of your own, and reflect on why is this a tense process? Why is this a hard process?

It is a hard process because we have to make decisions together about things that aren't our own property, that are our shared property, that are our public spaces, and think about how hard it is to get all the automobile traffic access you want, and all the pedestrian access you want, and all the bicycle access you want, all at the same time.

The reason people are taking, you know, some hard comments is because this is hard to do. It is hard to meet everybody's needs at the same time; and so, I thank everybody here, even though somebody said, you know, there was some jeering or something, basically, I didn't hear too much of it. I thought we all kept to the time, and I will, too. We all

kept to the time and we all listened to each other. I heard a lot of people applauding for people from both points of view, and I think that is all for the best, and thanks for having this hearing and for taking our thoughts into consideration. (applause)

PHIL LOHNES: I am Phil Lohnes, L-o-h-n-e-s, nothing like it sounds. I live on Bartlett Ave. I have been in Arlington since 1990, though on Pleasant Street at first, but I chose to stay here. I am a CPA and I have worked at six technology start-ups, which either means I like risk a lot, or I am a very slow learner, and the bicycle advocates here, if you look on pretty much any bike path, you will see my name, but that isn't necessarily the point of view I bring, or at least it is one I understand but it is one that needs to be considered in balance with other things.

One of my concerns is, I believe this model shows traffic in 2028. It is my understanding, but I may not be correct, that part of that model shows that the traffic is twenty percent less than it is today. Is that correct?

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Alan, would you answer that?

1 PHIL LOHNES: What is the assumption?

ALAN CLOUTIER: If I remember correctly, we assumed a half a percent per year annual growth rate, so from 2008, so roughly ten percent more.

PHIL LOHNES: It's not how it (counts) but don't worry about that. Well, a couple of other things, I have done, because I have done technology start-ups, a number of models and when one does a model one has one's own biases in it, whether one likes to or not. So, in my thirty years, last year was unique in that revenue actually exceeded my projections. In the other twenty-nine, not so much.

This is one of my problems with models, is even when one is trying to be honest with oneself, one often errs, and I am really concerned about this. I just, I simply look at Arlington Heights on a Saturday, and it is one lane in each direction, and Saturday is not that busy a day compared to rush hour, yet it is tied up constantly and it is two or three light cycles to get through.

Also, people keep talking about thirty second of -- well, at thirty miles an hour, a one mile trip is two minutes. So, that's actually a

twenty-five percent increase. It is not some trivial amount and, also, if one puts one's feet into the oven and is handed a bunch of ice, when it is average what, in fact, what you will have is a situation where somebody is parallel parking in one lane and then you are delayed certainly more, or you are behind a bus, who is behind someone. Now, you have an option to go around where, in the future, you will not.

I am quite concerned that the model doesn't really fully comprehend these things in the way it does in personal short interactions but overall and, yes, it is the greatest good for the greatest number but --

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Thank you. (applause) Yes, sir.

GLENN KOENIG: My name is Glenn Koenig. That is K-o-e-n-i-g. Glenn has two n's. I live at 16 Hopkins Road. The travel lane I used to get here tonight was the sidewalk because I walked here. I am lucky I live close enough to Town Hall.

I want to thank all the public officials, and especially the Town Meeting Members who come into this hall and spend a whole lot more hours than we

are going to spend here tonight, and I want to thank them all for working so hard and being on Town Meeting. I was on Town Meeting myself for sixteen years, and I know what it is like.

My point is that software has bugs and engineers are human, and so are planners, and they can make mistakes. When the project is done, in spite of the best plans, some things might not work the way you would expect. What I want to know is, after the paint on the last stripe is dry, what, if anything, in the way of resources will be devoted to analyzing how well it works, including additional plans, adjustments and finding ways for different levels of government to work together to solve the problem.

I point to the example of Arlington Center.

I have lived in Arlington thirty-seven years. I know what I am talking about. It took twenty years to extend the right turn arrow another few seconds to allow a reasonable number of cars to get through it.

Twenty years. I don't want to see this project all done and buttoned up, and everybody at this table walk away from it, and leave whatever remaining problems there are unaddressed for decades. I would

like to see the follow-up after this is done.

(applause)

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I am a Software Engineer. I know, half the time in my job is spent debugging. I don't expect roads are going to take that long but, anything, the answer that you gave about why not do lines like sandbags and sounded to me jurisdictional dispute. I expect my levels of government to cooperate with each other, not say, it is not my job. (applause) Okay? I want somebody to solve the problem of, okay, if the Town hasn't approved putting the sandbags and the extra striping for testing, then let's get together and make it happen rather than having little wars that say, I am doing my job and they have got to do theirs, and I am not talking to them. That's my question. Thank you. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, ma'am.

RACHEL STARK: Thank you. My name is Rachel Stark, and I have -- I will try to tip this down. There. I have lived in Arlington fifteen years, and East Arlington for two years. People live in Arlington because they love it. People are very loyal to Arlington and that is one of the things that

I love about Arlington. These meetings may have started as an engineering project but now they are about who we are, and that does need to be recognized.

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Living in a family or a neighborhood, or a like Arlington is about community sharing, cooperating, taking turns. Thousands of people travel down Mass. Ave. and across Mass. Ave. every It may actually be tens of thousands. It is a day. lot. It is right and it is fair that we all take our fair share of travel time on Mass. Ave., but no more than our fair share of travel time, and that includes everybody.

Cars, buses, trucks, pedestrians, bicycles all use Mass. Ave. We all deserve to be safe. We all have, I would say, moral obligation to travel safely and to travel carefully, taking care of ourselves, taking care of each other. It is the right thing to do, to take turns with our travel time on Mass. Ave. Travel, travel safely, travel nicely, share, help all of our neighbors stay safe, and I hope that this project, and all of us in this room, keeps that in mind. Thank you. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, sir.

1	EDWARD STARR: Can you hear me now? Good.
2	My name is Edward Starr, two r's, and I am Past
3	Chair of the Transportation Advisory Committee in
4	Arlington for the years 2001 to 2011.
5	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You have got to
6	speak up, Edward.
7	EDWARD STARR: 2001 I am Past Chair of
8	the Transportation Advisory Committee, known as the
9	TAC, from 2001 to 2011. I have also been a Town
10	Meeting Member for about fifteen years, and I, like
11	the previous gentleman, I come from the high tech
12	industry. I am a retired President of (1:50:23)
13	Technologies in Cambridge.
14	A little history, since I was Chair in
15	2001
16	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Speak up.
17	EDWARD STARR: In 2001, the Louis Berger
18	Associates was asked by the Town to consider options
19	in this section of Mass. Avenue. This was
20	precipitated by pedestrian deaths on Mass. Avenue in
21	the previous few years.
22	In 2002, the TAC presented at a meeting of
23	the East Arlington Good Neighbor Committee in the Fox
24	Library. The options developed by Louis Berger

Associates and had discussions about them with the citizens of that committee. The attendance was probably forty or fifty people at that time and we had several other meetings with them.

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Out of this came some key objectives that the community chose for this project; improved safety users, motorists, pedestrians, cyclists, for all maintain mobility at an acceptable level of service, encourage a more orderly traffic flow, enhanced streetscape and increase business patronage. These objectives have been held throughout the current plan later and I strongly support this twelve vears project, and I would like to get along with it. I have been working on this for over a decade. you. (applause)

MATT CARTY: Hi. My name is Matt Carty. That is spelled C-a-r-t-y. I am your neighbor from Medford, who gets a lot of -- pays a lot of Federal and State income tax, and I welcome you to spend this on this project. I just hope you spend it wisely, but what I bring to the community is, I bring my business, and I bring my business where I can get to safely riding my bicycle.

I leave Medford in the morning. I ride my

bike to Downtown Boston. I ride home at night. I stop at places. I patronize restaurants. I patronize stores and I, frankly, don't go here because Mass. Avenue is so scary. There are plenty of other places to shop around here, that get my dollar. I would be delighted to bring my dollar in the future when you are done with the project.

A couple of points to make, one of them is, you know, it really is simple math. If you have two lanes, you get twice as much throughput, right? Any first grader knows that. It is a good thing we don't allow first graders to vote because it is not exactly true. Our friends in the road design profession know that, and they don't have time to explain it at a public meeting like this. We don't do brain surgery or fly airplanes by committee. Hopefully, the road design by committee can be strongly influenced by the DOT professionals and the engineers who propose this design.

There are other forces at play here. The - societally, you know, driving is on the decline and
there is a lot of predictions, a lot of good study
out there that says, you know, the car is no longer
king. Young people, generations, jobs, are driving

less. They are going to places that have public transportation and bike lanes. They are bringing their money. They are bringing their skill. They are spending their dollar.

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The Mayor of Chicago got in a tiff with the Mayor of Seattle recently saying, I am going to outbuild you for friendly, walkable, sustainable infrastructure because I want your young people to bring jobs and money. They are fighting with each other and communities that don't get on the bandwagon are going to lose.

Now, the Greater Boston area, there's a lot of open mindedness. There's a lot of use towards like safer streets for crossing, wide things sidewalks, bicycle lanes. It's а winning combination. It's winning in the long view. car, you know, catering to -- you want a four-lane road? 93 will take you straight north. Route 2 will take you northwest. Leave Mass. Ave. as a place for human beings. Thank you very much. (applause)

CYNTHIA MESH: My name is Cynthia Mesh, M-e-s-h. I will use the mike that seems to work. I live at 67 Grafton Street, right between Broadway and Mass. Ave., and that is one of the most treacherous

crosswalks in all of Arlington. I would like to bring this home. I would like to tell you a true story of crossing that street with my son when he was nine, and two other boys as I was taking them to the Hardy School in the morning.

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We were crossing the street. I am an extremely safety conscious person and yet, at the other end, as we were approaching Sabatino's, it just so happened that one of the three boys who was with me was hit by a car. I had taken every precaution, as had the children. It was a slow circumstance and, thank goodness, there was no damage to the child physically.

I have been there. Many of us have had near misses more times than we can count on a four lane pedestrian crosswalk. So, I am left to ask, when I hear the opposition to the project, it is going to be more time to travel. It is going to bollox up the traffic. How much more time? thirty-six seconds? Is it four minutes? If I am left to weigh four minutes of additional travel time in the morning versus the life of that little boy who was crossing with me, I will chose the pedestrian safety every time, and I hope that fellow citizens of

Arlington would feel the same way, and that is all I have to say. Thank you very much. (applause)

MELISSA MACDONALD: Hello. My name is Melissa MacDonald. I live in Arlington Center, and I am a parent, a business owner of a landscape architecture firm based in Arlington.

I have participated in every Mass. Ave. Corridor Project public meeting except one since the first meeting was held in October of 2008. As a landscape architect who has worked on many other projects, I can assure you that there has been ample opportunity for the public to contribute ideas for new designs, and to be involved.

At the recent public kick-off meeting for the Town's New Master Plan Project, it was plainly evident that what many Arlingtonians want is a vibrant town that is welcoming to all. Some of the wishes that were heard repeatedly that evening were for adding bike lanes on Mass. Ave., more trees to town, adding to the vibrancy of street life, and making Mass. Ave. safe for pedestrians, cyclists, public transportation and cars. That sounds like the Mass. Ave. Corridor Project.

Bike lanes are being added in towns and

cities across the country at an exponential rate. New York City has installed over three hundred miles of bike lanes in the past few years. Across the river, Boston has installed bike lanes throughout the City, as well as over a thousand bikes in the City's Bike Share System.

To the concern of bike lanes on state highways, I have seen that bike lanes are typically prohibited on roadways where higher speeds, such as fifty miles per hour, are allowed. There are already state highways that have bike lanes. Mass. Ave. in Cambridge, also known as Route 2A, and Comm. Ave. in Boston, or Route 2. Mass. Ave. in Arlington has a low speed limit and is effectively our main street. It is a perfect location for bike lanes.

Bike lanes on vehicular roadways are here to stay. If this project is killed this year, it will be back in one form or another within ten years. This is where things are going. Let's implement the project now, as design, while Federal and State funds are available to pay for the lion's share of it. Thank you. (applause)

JEFF MAXTUTIS: Good evening. My name is Jeff Maxtutis, M-a-x-t-u-t-i-s. I am a

Transportation Planner with over twenty-five years experience. More importantly, I served on the Transportation Advisory Committee in town for the last nine years, and I am currently the Co-Chairman. I am also liaison to the MassDOT Safe Routes to School Program here in Arlington.

I and the Transportation Advisory Committee continue to support the project for the following reasons. It provides more orderly flow of traffic, slows down traffic in the neighbor -- for the corridor, increases safety for all users, reduces pedestrian crossing distances, provides additional travel lanes, traffic lanes, where needed at intersections.

Today, we have one wide, inefficient travel lane in each direction, only one designated travel lane. It encourages speeding, swerving traffic and unsafe conditions, especially for pedestrians and bicycles, as well as motorists.

The proposed plan will provide two lanes in the eastbound direction with a striped bike lane and parking. This will better organize traffic, reduce pedestrian crossings and improve safety for bikes.

I want to talk a little bit about the

westbound direction because that is the main concern. We are proposing one wide travel lane between fourteen to fifteen feet wide. It is three feet wider than a travel lane you have on a highway. It is proposed along side a five foot wide striped bike lane and parking. Except at intersections, the overall width of the roadway really isn't changing. It is the same width. The only difference today is motorists in the future will have a five foot bike lane next to the travel lane. Really, we are talking about paint here, that additional travel lane.

One of the main concerns is that, will one lane westbound create delays for traffic getting stuck behind left turning vehicles? The answer is no. If the drivers can't wait, they can go around this vehicle. We have one wide lane. You can infringe on the bike lane if you have to. It is not encouraged, but it is not illegal to do so. You need to infringe on the bike lane for parking at intersections, also. This will not create additional delay.

The additional analysis results requested by the FHWA shows that the westbound travel lane will not significantly impede travel flow. In addition to

that, the previous analysis had also supported that.

I and the Transportation Advisory Committee strongly recommend moving forward with this project which improves -- which provides improvements for all travel modes. Thank you. (applause)

SCOTT (CROUT): Good evening. My name is Scott (Crout). I was raised in Lexington. I spend a lot of my time in Cambridge. I have been staying with a friend lately in Arlington because there is so much noise with this project. I have a lot of experience in Cambridge dealing with real situations, construction planning, environmental impacts, planning board meetings, this kind of thing.

I am astounded to hear that you have had all these hearings, all this time, and this project has not come to fruition. I am amazed at this. I would like to express my sincere appreciation for the board of DOT representatives here, the planning process, the patience of this town, all the concerned divisions, the responsibility of the audience. I really appreciate what you have done, and I know a lot of people also do.

Some quick comments, one thing I have to comment on is, a person suggested trying four lanes

versus lanes and just trying it by putting like cones in the streets and watching throughput traffic flow, that kind of thing, just see what happens, give it a trial run. You can't do that because what is involved as part of this process is changing the lighting sequencing, the abutments in the roadway. That kind of situation is not an apples to apples comparison because the sequencing is going to be optimized and the changes in the layout of the roadway. So, you can't just try it and see if it works or see how poorly it works.

Another thing is, the going from four to three lanes was on the basis of safety. That is not a question of throughput. The mile -- I will talk about that in a second. It is a question of safety. What happens with a third lane, you allot a -- you allot -- you allot room for the bike lanes. Four lanes will not do that. There is not sufficient space with a four-lane situation to safely allow buses, bike lanes and four lanes of traffic to coexist together. You can't do that. So, the idea that four lanes will work doesn't -- is not on a safety basis. It doesn't apply there.

As far as transportation and planning

models, I have had some experience with that. The models are, you do correlation runs with statistics. They are back-tested for accuracy. They are run on historical databases to confirm the accuracy of the models.

As far as biases go, you have to be very careful with the physical bias, whatever kind of bias. I wouldn't assume that is a given at the onset. You have to -- a lot of been done in transportation and planning over the past twenty years and -- but best of luck with this project. I really think you should do it. You have got roving chaos out there which is (2:04:56 - inaudible phrase due to applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Thank you. Yes, sir.

JOHN ASLANIAN: My name is John Aslanian. I live on Tufts Street in East Arlington. Some of the things that I would like to say tonight have already been said.

First off, I will talk about the fact that I am a new homeowner in Arlington and one of the main reasons why I chose to purchase my home in East Arlington is this project. I find it an absolutely

compelling reason for someone in their thirties to come to the Town of Arlington to put my money in the small businesses of Arlington, to support the tradesmen that live in Arlington, to eat at the restaurants where Arlingtonians work and, you know, I own a car, so I could be here because I have got a vehicle. I am a very strong supporter for Elderly Rights. So, I could be here to support the elderly community in Arlington, who will benefit from this project because of a better bus system that will allow them to have an easier way to get on the buses, a safer way to get to those buses, etc.

I could not be here tonight because my cousin is making his television -- national television debut playing soccer tonight right now, and I can't be there because I am that much of a supporter of this project, but that is not such a big deal. I think the biggest deal of all is the fact that Saturday night I became the proud father of my first child. (applause)

I did some fuzzy math. I did some fuzzy math. We have heard a lot of fuzzy math over the last couple of years around here, and so five percent of my daughter Lucia's life, five percent of her life

I have spent listening to my fellow friends. I am very proud of that. I think she is really proud, too, because this project is about the ability for me to cross that street with her in a stroller, for me to go down that street with her on the back of my bike, and me to take her on a bus ride downtown or out to Lexington for whatever reason one would do that.

And so, if these comments are going to the -- a couple of other things, one, for the people that are not in support of this project, and I will speak very quickly, we talk about four lanes. That will not be possible with two parking lanes which means, if you, in April, say yes to that ballot initiative, that means you are going to be eliminating parking for small business owners. We cannot do that. You must vote no.

And finally, for all of the elected officials here of various generations, I think the Federal Government should be listening to all these Elected Officials and going with the local voice. Thank you very much. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, ma'am.

ELISABETH CARR-JONES: My name is Elisabeth

Car-Jones. That is spelled C-a-r-r hyphen J-o-n-e-s. Ι am Member of the Transportation Advisory а Committee, Member of Walking in Arlington, and one of Routes to Schools Liaisons Safe Arlington. I have participated in this project since the early days of 2002 when there were meetings about how to make it better. I want to clarify to everyone that pedestrian safety was always a primary catalyst for this project, and that pedestrian safety and pedestrian operation are two different things.

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In the most recent town wide Vision 2020 survey on transportation priorities, nearly sixteen hundred responses came in and pedestrian safety was ranked number one. This is still the most current information we have for the entire town.

The project, as it is developed, will increase pedestrian safety by reducing traffic speed, especially at non-peak times. It will limit the number of traffic lanes that pedestrians need to cross, which reduces the multiple threat crash that we heard about, and it provides elements to increase pedestrians visibility and reduce crosswalk length, which I think is worth it.

There has been complete agreement from all

the traffic professionals on one thing, and that is that four lanes are not necessary for this section of roadway. By including an unnecessary fourth travel lane for traffic, you do at the expense of other modes of transportation, pedestrians, bikes, transit users. For Arlington's main street, which Mass. Ave. is, its priorities really have to be to share the road and safety and mobility for all on our main street is essential.

So, I think sound decisions have been made throughout this project. There has been a lot of compromise, a lot of discussion. Let's just move ahead. Let's get it done. (applause)

DEANNE DUPONT: My name is Deanne Dupont, D-u-p-o-n-t. I live in Arlington and, although not in East Arlington. However, I participate in a food recovery project, and I am constantly delivering food to organizations and individuals in East Arlington. One of the factors that I have encountered is, I have to park on Mass. Ave., in the westbound lane and unload a van with boxes of food in it, and I feel my life is in danger when I do this because I can't always pack the van so that I can unload on the sidewalk side. So, for me, I mean, I am like a

delivery person, and it is very dangerous for me and, if there was a bicycle lane, and wider lanes, I would much rather be hit by a bicycle than by a car. I could survive that.

And so my -- I am in favor of this proposal and I don't think anyone has brought up the fact that there are trucks making deliveries along Mass. Ave., and there is also the safety of those individuals, as well. Thank you. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, sir.

DAVID WATSON: I am David Watson, W-a-t-s-o-n. I am a homeowner on Franklin Street, and I am also the Executive Director of Mass. Bike, the Massachusetts Bicycle Coalition. I personally, and Mass. Bike, as an organization, are very much in favor of this project, and we encourage you to move it forward as quickly as possible.

I bike on Mass. Ave. I walk on Mass. Ave. I own a car. I drive on Mass. Ave., and I also take the bus on Mass. Ave. So, I experience it in all different modes that are involved in this project and what it comes down to is, this project is about balance. It's about finding an appropriate and reasonable balance between the needs and the safety

of all of these modes, and I believe that the design that has been presented does that.

It is not a perfect design. There have been many compromises along the way. Would I like there to be even more space for the dedicated, separated facilities for bicycles? Sure, I would but bike lanes are a reasonable compromise that work in the space that is available.

I think that the public process has been very extensive in this project. The public has been listened to. The design has been modified extensively in some ways that I don't approve of, such as the addition of the second travel lane in the eastbound direction but, again, these are reasonable compromises that strive to address the concerns of the public.

So, again, I urge you to move forward with this project. It finds an appropriate balance. It looks to the needs of Arlington now and in the future. All of the models that we are looking at go out to 2028. I think this project gives us a vision of what Arlington would want to see in 2028 and beyond. Thanks very much. (applause)

DREW HITE: I am Drew Hite, H-i-t-e, Varnum

Street. I am a supporter of the plan. This feels a little bit like Groundhog Day, so I am not going to - I will be brief, but one point I wanted to reiterate is that the Town has done -- really bent over backwards to listen, to get input, and to incorporate that input into the operation of the plan, many of which I don't agree with, but I understand the compromise and I want it to move forward with that plan. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, ma'am.

MARCI SHAPIRO: I am going to try to use this one. Hi. My name is Marci Shapiro. I live on Lake Street. Back in 2000, I was living on Grafton Street, and I was crossing the crosswalk there one Tuesday morning in December, and was hit by a car three-quarters of the way across the street, and that was back in 2000, and it has been a long road but I am so glad to be here at this point, talking about these things, and I would be very upset if the project doesn't go anywhere after this.

Something has to be done. I wasn't the first person to be hit. I won't be the last. I am lucky I wasn't more severely injured than I was, and I have to say, one of the most shocking things to me

was on the police report where it said the number of lanes, and it said two, and I couldn't believe it. I was like, what do you mean it's only two lanes? Everybody drives it as four. What does that mean?

And then, that started a process of personally trying to get something done in that crosswalk and finding out how difficult it was going to be, even just to put in a light or something; and so, I am really glad that, even though it is taking so long, things are happening, things are moving forward, and it would be a shame if we can't come together as a committee and get this done.

Nothing is going to perfect. We know that. We have heard that. Nothing ever is, but something has to be done, and I appreciate all the hard work of the professionals and the people who know what they are talking about, and have looked at this, and have come up with what looks to be a pretty good solution. So, I am in full support of the program. Thank you. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, sir.

ALEX BILSKY: My name is Alex Bilsky. I -that's B-i-l-s-k-y. I live in East Arlington. I am
the father of a second grader at Hardy School, and a

girl who will be starting Hardy School next year in Kindergarten, and I am here to speak in support of the Mass. Ave. plan. As Cynthia said so eloquently, I believe that any slight inconvenience to cars or even if it is a more than slight inconvenience to cars to make it safer for pedestrians then it absolutely has to be our priority as parents and as a community.

I -- when I started coming to these meetings, I could only imagine walking my daughter to school because she wasn't even in Kinder -- my daughter was not even in Kindergarten at that point, but now that is something I do frequently, and now that she is in second grade, I am starting to imagine what it is going to be like when she is crossing the streets by herself and, from all those experiences, the experiences people have relayed crossing Mass. Ave., I think that we all know that Mass. Ave. right now is very dangerous to cross.

Because we have Thompson students coming to the Hardy School now, temporarily, we do have a crossing guard helping families cross in the morning. When the Thompson kids go to their new school, my guess is that crossing guard is going to go away and

we will be back to the situation we were in a year and a half ago where families were just crossing and going forward, and doing their best, and that was not a safe situation. I believe this plan will make it safer for families to cross Mass. Ave., and I think that is important.

Just a few weeks ago, a second grader was hit by a car crossing a different road, Herbert Road. Luckily the car was going slowly. She wasn't hurt, but the situation could be very different and there are many near misses, as you have heard, and actual people being hit along Mass. Ave. We need to do something about it.

My family moved here to start a family, to East Arlington because it was a community where you could walk to shops, walk to restaurants, walk your kids to school. That is what is important to us about Arlington, is being able to walk to things, being able to be safe with your family, not being able to drive lots of places really fast. That is not what's -- it's, we don't see it as a highway that has some houses there. We see it as a community and we want -- I would like this plan to go forward to keep it a safe, livable walking community. Thank

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	you. (	(appl	Lause)

JENNIFER HITE: My name is Jennifer Hite, H-i-t-e. I live on Varnum Street. All of my comments have already been said, so I will be brief, but I do want to say, I am very much in support of the plan, the pedestrian improvements. Specifically, I wish there was only one lane in direction because I feel like pedestrian safety was better at that point, but we have heard public input and have added another lane. I am all for that compromise and hope it moves forward. Thank you. (applause)

LARRY SLOTNICK: Hi. My name is Larry Slotnick. I live on Grafton Street. I have owned a home here for five years.

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Could you spell your last name?

LARRY SLOTNICK: Yes. That is S-l-o-t-n-i-c-k. Everything has been said, more or less, and I am wondering what I could say that might be impactful. I can't understand why there is such a strong need in the hearts and minds of so many people to have four lanes on Mass. Ave. It just doesn't make sense. This is not the seventies or the eighties, or nineties, we are in the 2000's. Our

society is changing. People do not want to have to get in their car to go do the things they want to do, such as taking their kids to school, shopping where you want to shop, doing some kind of recreation, traveling around your own town, and supporting the folks who own shops and businesses in the town.

I am a business owner in Somerville. I would actually like to become a business owner in Arlington, on Mass. Ave. If you look at the stretch of Mass. Ave. in East Arlington, there are quite a few businesses there but it is not really anything close to a main street, some words that someone spoke a few minutes ago. A four lane roadway is not going to help Mass. Ave. to become our main street. It is just not going to happen. It cannot happen. It will be, vehicles will travel too fast on Mass. Ave. if there are four lanes. It will not be safe for pedestrians or cyclist.

So, I think we really do need to look at what has been put on paper but also think about what we want and hope Mass. Ave. can become, say over the next five to ten, fifteen years. A four lane road is not going to get us there. I just can't believe folks who think about it that way believe that it can

get us there because it just cannot get East Arlington to be the best that it can be. I will leave you with those thoughts. Thank you. (applause)

RON HOLLAND: I am Ron Holland, H-o-l-l-a-n-d. I moved to Arlington in 1976. Prior to that, I hung around Eastern Massachusetts since '69. I used to drive a cab in Boston, so I am sort of fully trained up on (2:22:46) Massachusetts vehicular anarchy.

For the last seventeen years, I have lived on Grafton Street. I have raised three children in this town. I drive. I walk. I take the bus. I do ride my bicycle extensively. In all those capacities, I would really like this plan to come along and get built, and living -- you have heard about Grafton Street, the Grafton Street/Orvis/Mass. Ave. intersection. It is hair-raising.

There is something that goes on out on that road. The speed limit is thirty miles an hour but a lot of people don't do it. They really resent stopping in crosswalks. I have been buzzed. I have seen families with small children buzzed. I have seen lots of near misses, and I have seen near misses

with a finger displayed. You know, let's get this thing done. Enough already. (applause)

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RICHARD FREEMAN: Hi. My name is Richard Freeman. We own the Capitol Theater block. I grew up in the sleepy suburb of Arlington called Belmont and I live in Lincoln. We have been privileged to be the stewards of the Capitol Theater for almost two generations now, almost thirty-five years, and we are grateful to our wonderful patrons who have kept our neighborhood theater alive and well.

Senator Donnelly and Kevin Thank vou, It is refreshing to see Elected Officials be forthright and principled. I also want to express our appreciation to the Selectmen, the Planners, the Department of Transportation and support staff, who have devoted so much time and effort, and expertise, over the past four and a half years to advance this project. I am just sorry that some of the dialogue generated into personal insult. is That not acceptable.

had numerable Town We have Meetings, Selectmen elections, public hearings, neighborhood gatherings and special presentations. I have been to them, the process SO many of and has been

educational, transparent, vigorous and, most importantly, democratic. It has been said that elections have consequences. That also applies to Arlington.

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It is obvious that the vast majority at this meeting, and from what I have seen over the past four and a half year of this process, that the vast majority of people want this project to proceed. They want it done quickly. They want it done smoothly and, for the most important reason, is safety, safety of our families and children, and we will, hopefully, attain that through real crosswalks, new traffic lights and turning lanes. The traffic should be calmed down with the new lane arrangement, and it will provide drivers a sense that they are passing through a living community, а living neighborhood with restaurants, businesses, beautiful homes, a movie theater, and not just blasting through a speedway to get from Point A to Point B.

Last but not least, we could use a little bit of beautification in East Arlington. I am really looking forward to seeing wider sidewalks and trees, planters, and making our neighborhoods more amenable to people. So, this boils down to a choice. The

twenty-first century or the 1950's and don't get me wrong. I love the fifties. I love Elvis as much as the next person but, if we don't move forward with this project and use the available funding, we are going to witness a slow descent in -- (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Time is up. I'm sorry.

RICHARD FREEMAN: Thank you very much for giving me the opportunity. (applause)

DAN WHITE: Hi. Can you hear me? My name is Dan White, like the color white. I live on Park Street. I have three young kids. We cross Mass. Ave. frequently from the north side of Mass. Ave. to the south side to visit Spy Pond, the Boys and Girls Club, Walgreen's, various other places. Obviously, as many people have said, it is a little scary right now. I hate to think of when they are middle-schoolers and wanting -- roaming town on their own. I would be a little scared for them crossing Mass. Ave.

My sister lives in Cambridge. She has a young child. They don't own a car. I would love for her to be able to visit, ride her bike, which she does everywhere now, to come visit. We would

probably ride our bikes along Mass. Ave. more often if there were bike lanes.

Ιt seems that the people, the minority, is concerned about slow traffic times and congestion. I drive my car. I am as concerned as the next guy about, you know, congestion and getting stuck in traffic jams but they really seem to be basing their concerns on fears that are not necessarily based in facts or analysis. It seems like the planners on the project have done a lot of analysis, a lot of calculations using various models Everything they seem to through many years. telling us is that there won't be significant delays.

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So, I support the project wholeheartedly. I don't think it is the best plan. I think one or two iterations ago of the plan were much better. I don't like the addition of the third lane, to tell you the truth. It has cut down on pedestrian safety on the Pond Lane end of the project, but it is a compromise and it's, you know, the Town Officials have listened to the minority, to the people who are concerned about congestion and they have tried to accommodate their concerns. So, I think this is a

good compromise, a good solution, and I look forward to seeing the final product. Thanks. (applause)

JAMIE HOWARD: Good evening. My name is Jamie Howard. I am an Arlington resident. I am also the General Manager of the Capitol Theater and Creamery. I am not particularly one for public speaking and, when I walked in tonight, I said, no way but the reason I felt I should speak is that I feel I have a unique perspective. I don't know how many of you can say you spent a good eight hours sitting in a window watching Mass. Ave., but I have and -- many times, and I have witnessed first hand all of the things that people are talking about today.

I have watched the elderly and people with children struggle to cross the street in time, even with the crossing signals. I have watched people who are handicapped having a hard time get from the bus to the sidewalk. I have watched people on bicycles take evasive extreme measures to not get hit by cars, and it is terrifies me every time.

I have seen people with strollers on sidewalks have a hard time getting through, especially with the snow. Wider sidewalks would be a

great idea, and beyond just, you know, I feel the plan really touches all those issues, and once I heard about the plan to fix that, so I started to pay attention and I really noticed that all of those things that really concerned me were being with this plan, and I am very happy with that.

And beyond just safety, which is honestly the biggest concern, I would like to speak to the small businesses that are on East Arlington Mass. Ave., and a lot of us depend very heavily on the foot traffic. Not so much the movie theater but the ice cream part of my business is very heavily dependent on foot traffic, especially in the summer time, and I feel that the plan to improve Mass. Ave. with the planters and the wider sidewalks, and the trees, and I think the potential there is so amazing to make East Arlington a place where people want to come and eat dinner at (Canolan's 2:31:23) or Za's and then see a movie at the Capitol, then go shopping at RB (2:31:38), go shopping at (Maximo).

I mean, I have been at the Capitol for five years, and I have seen a lot of businesses on my block come and go, and you can be the best business in the world and, if no one is walking by, you are

stuck. So, I think that this plan addresses the people's need for safety and also the idea that you can't want a thriving community and not support it. You need to really give us the tools that we need to provide you with the industry that you want. So, I am very much in support of the project. Thank you.

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STEPHEN HARRINGTON: Hi. Ι am Stephen Harrington, H-a-double r-i-n-g-t-o-n. I am a Town Meeting Member. I guess I could have gone earlier but I like to come near the end anyhow. I have been a resident of Arlington for almost fifty years. couple of years off for good behavior, otherwise I would be a lifer, and I have walked all over this I, you know, and when I hear that pedestrian safety, I have got to tell you, this town does not take pedestrian safety seriously. They never have. Your actions speak louder than all the words I have heard tonight.

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As I child, I walked to school about a mile away, in the Center, from Gray Street, down Pleasant Street, and I can tell you that Pleasant had four lanes. That is Route 60 for you guys that might not know Arlington. Okay? Look at Pleasant Street.

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2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Exactly.

STEPHEN HARRINGTON: Pleasant is You can sit in traffic for an hour on disaster. Pleasant Street in good weather. That is the future In addition to that, when people are of Mass. Ave. stuck in that type of congested traffic, they become antsy. It is very difficult to get across it. I was four years old, I crossed Pleasant Street, walked down to Spy Pond and went swimming, and that when there were fifty-two thousand people in Arlington.

So, pedestrian safety is not a priority for this town, and it has never been. They don't clear sidewalks in snow. They pile it up on the corners. They are not going to maintain the road that we make.

In addition to that, it is going to be a disaster to cut down to three, four, two lanes. I will just say Pleasant Street, and I am going to speak for a minute about your modeling.

So, I do a lot of modeling. If you said, I used a differential equation to model traffic flow, I would say, hey, that's pretty good. You used a piece of software that (2:34:04) and all you need to do is

have some common sense and look at Lexington, that has four lanes or Cambridge that has four lanes to realize that you can easily fit four lanes in the expansive of roadway in Arlington. You are just not using common sense. You are not using any type of empirical observations to check that your model, which (2:34:30), is giving you good results.

So, when you show that graphic of two car doors, a bike, four cars, that doesn't happen on Mass. Ave. once every ten years. So, what you presented was a marketing material to support your conclusion, and you are using modern software to just rationalize it. So, I am -- that's my thoughts and good night. (applause)

JOE BARR: Hi. My name is Joe Barr. I live on Park Street, like my neighbor, Dan. Can you hear me because I am not sure if this is working.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: No.

JOE BARR: Alright, better? Anyway, it's late. Most of the good comments have been said already. So, I will just add three things. One, I support this project strongly. I want to see it move forward. I want to thank MassDOT, particularly you, for standing the entire evening, and our Elected

Officials and Appointed Officials for being here, listening to us, and moving this project forward, and I will address my last comment to the Federal Highway Administration, who I guess asked for this hearing but then decided that they weren't going to actually attend, and just say that they make a lot of bold about. livable communities statements and their partnership with sustainable communities, and bicycle and pedestrian accommodations, and so, if they really want to put their money where their mouth is, they need to listen to what was said tonight, which was, I think, overwhelming support for this project, not nitpick over 2028 modeling, which is in fact not really that meaningful. We need to think about what our community needs to be like and figure out a way to support this project and allow it to move forward. Thank you. (applause)

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STEVE MAHLER: Hi. My name is Steve Mahler. That's M-a-h-l-e-r. I am a resident in Arlington Heights on Bow Street, and I am a business owner in Harvard Square. For the past five years, I have been bicycle-commuting to Harvard Square. That has gone pretty well until last year when I was struck first by a car door from a parked car near

Lake Street and, second, by a turning car near Orvis Street. That was a pretty bad collision and I was sent to the hospital.

So, now I have found a different way to go. The problem is, I lost East Arlington in the process and the businesses of East Arlington lost me in that process. So, I am really looking forward to the completion of this project because I will get East Arlington back, I feel. Also, the businesses of East Arlington will get me back, and they will get the residents who are pedestrians in the area back, as well. So, I see that as a win/win situation.

I have seen this kind of plan implemented in other towns in Eastern Massachusetts. I feel it works. I am very much in support of it. (applause)

JULIA MALIK: My name is Julia Malik, M-a-l-i-k. I live over on Marathon Street. I have been there for five years now, and I moved to Arlington because I wanted multi-modal living. Two years ago when I came here to speak for the project, I was very (inaudible phrase 2:37:51) walking, taking the bus. I actually got rid of my car because East Arlington is such an easy place to (inaudible phrase 2:38:00), and a lot of what I would say has already been said

but I want to readdress the missing East Arlington as a cyclist.

I do that. I bike everywhere. I have been biking for twenty years in this area. It has improved dramatically when you are going to Cambridge or Somerville, even into Boston. You cross Route 16 and it is scary, and what is really sad is, I love East Arlington and, yet, I will bypass it. I will take the DCR path, or I will come down Broadway to avoid going down Mass. Ave., and when I have talk to other people who go, wow, the bike path, I have been on that and I have stopped in the Center.

Then you talk and you say, what did you do and you realized they stopped in Lexington Center. They don't even know about Arlington and all the wonderful things that Arlington has. We try to explain, there is a great coffee shop. I tried to explain this to a cyclist who loves coffee and, finally, he kind of got it when I explained, it's down the street from the Capitol. He sort of knew the Capitol, and it is one of these things that I would really love to see East Arlington's great business future really be as good or better than even Davis Square or like Lexington Center, and it really

1	has the potential, and to make the improvements, to
2	make it much more accommodating for cyclists, which
3	is something that will show up on your Google map.
4	There would be cycling. If that is a good
5	bike route, that will show up for you as a way to get
6	around, or as a pedestrian. You know, once you get
7	there, you will be able to walk about and hang out.
8	I mean, these are wonderful things thing and I really
9	hope the project goes through as designed. So, I was
10	supporting it two years ago, and I am here again
11	supporting it tonight. Thank you. (applause)
12	JAIME VANSCHYNDEL: Hi. My name is Jaime
13	Vanschyndel. It's V-a-n-s-c-h-
14	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can't hear you.
15	JAIME VANSCHYNDEL: V-a-n-s-c-h-y-n-d-e-l.
16	I live on
17	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can't hear you.
18	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I'm sorry. Try it
19	that way. It's been shut off or something.
20	JAIME VANSCHYNDEL: Have you got my name?
21	Awesome. I live on Cleveland Street with my wife and
22	my two year old. We have a house there. I am also
23	the owner of Barismo. It is on 171 Mass. Ave.
24	(applause) So, I hope that was the coffee shop she

was referencing.

We are about as bike-friendly as you can get. Six of my seven staff bike to work. I walk. We are pretty active in trying to get a bike rack out front. We do bicycle deliveries. I have thirty-some accounts in wholesale in Cambridge and Somerville that I drive back and forth to, and we deliver the coffee by bicycle. The road is not bicycle friendly. So, to me, it is something that I think that this plan fixes.

There's other things about it that I like, making the streets more pedestrian friendly, and you guys have come up with some good compromises for that, to get people to actually cross the street. I have learned very quickly, only cross at the Capitol Theater because that is the only safe place in that area to cross. Grafton, crossing in front of the post office and trying to cross over near Za is just unsafe. I have had too many close calls.

I have to go there five days a week to run packages over to USPS, and I just tell my staff, just wait at the light, cross twice, and just be safe, and I made a bet when we came here, it will be five years in September, that this neighborhood would change,

and that there would be some construction or some changes to the neighborhood that would meet our customers' needs, and to actually make that neighborhood change. I think a lot of families, like myself, are moving in and making that street more friendly.

So, like I say I am fully in support of the project, and I think that I have had people from both sides of the street, and concerned citizens, as well, and from the city. I think we have had so many people come to our shop and talk to us about it, and reach out to us. At this point I think, if people don't know what is going on, then it is their own fault, and I think that everyone I talk to, the support is there. Granted, most of us get up early in the morning to go to work and to do this, but I can't say any more about it other than let's just get going. (applause)

SAM MILTON: Hi. Thank you. My name is Sam Milton, M-i-l-t-o-n. I have been an Arlington resident for about five years, and I super love this town. I thank you, first, for coming out here, our Elected Officials for trying to move this process forward over many years.

One thing I can say about Arlington is Mass. Ave. East Arlington stretch is an absolute disaster. I am a multi-modal user of Mass. Ave, and I use it by bike, by car, I walk but, as a cyclist on Mass. Ave., the road is a mess. There are tons of potholes. I have to go around the potholes. I have to fear for my life whenever I do that. Walking across Mass. Ave. with my daughter, I have to hold her hand to make sure that she doesn't run and a car doesn't jump out in the road and hit us.

I am fully in support of the redesign of the project and I think it will be a fantastic improvement over the current conditions we have. It will bring new life and be a new fun source and address the needs of the town, and increase the use of the businesses on this stretch, and I support it, and thank you very much. (applause)

AILEEN GILDEA-PYNE: My name is Aileen Gildea, and I will spell it all for you. Aileen is A-i-l-e-e-n, Gildea G-i-l-d-e-a hyphen P-y-n-e. Yes, I do that all the time. I hate public speaking but I wanted to say a couple of things. I have not seen the problem addressed of the business district in East Arlington does not -- they don't have rear

loading. All of those businesses get truck delivery. They double park on Mass. Ave., sometimes up to a half an hour, some of them, or even - and they idle that whole time.

I am one of those ones who has sat and watched all of the dangerous things that happen. I am concerned that these trucks are going to be parking in the bike lane so that the shifting goes, the bikes go out into the lane that the drivers will think is theirs, and there is going to be more unsafe. So, I am concerned about loading and unloading, delivery time.

We are all on board for improving everybody's safety. No question. No question. I think that there are some things that we could do to make it even safer, but I won't get into them. There was another thing and I have forgotten what it was. So, I will --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Get into the safety stuff.

AILEEN GILDEA-PYNE: I don't remember. This is the part about, that I don't like public speaking because I can't remember what I was going to say, but I would really like to have the delivery

issue addressed. I would much rather lose a little bit of widen sidewalks so that there is enough room for safe delivery and safe traffic of both bicycles and cars. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Thank you.

JONATHAN WEISS: Hello. My name is Jonathan Weiss. I am an East Arlington resident for several years. I reviewed the plan at the twenty-five percent step, and I have looked at it again now. I am excited to see that the pedestrian refuge islands are back. They have been in and out, I think. I do feel like people have been listening to input and I am very happy to see those back.

I looked particularly at the place where the merge from two lanes down to one will occur in the westbound direction. It looks like people thought about this. It is not put, you know, one foot this side of the Route 16 intersection. It is far enough back that people should be able to get through the light and merge. I know people are worried about how much traffic we can get through in that one lane.

I do drive that occasionally. I do believe I will be slowed down a little, but I also don't

believe that those two lanes are operating at anywhere near capacity right now, except for very brief portions of the day. In my opinion, and unfortunately I don't have any data to back that up, but I think that is what people were trying to get at with a lot of the modeling that was done.

Beyond that, I just want to say that I think this is a reasonably well-thought-out plan, and I support it. Thank you. (applause)

am a longtime resident, about ten, twelve years. I am a homeowner is East Arlington, and I have been on many volunteer boards and helped out in government situations where I have had to sit there and not roll my eyes. So, I appreciate the hard work you guys have been doing, those who are here tonight. I know how hard it is to get the spotlight funding to shine on a one mile stretch of road. So, I appreciate that, too.

I am actually, apparently, one of the evil people who tends to prioritize driving a bit over biking and walking. So, I intend to -- I commute daily and I think the face validity of the plan is difficult because, when you say we are going to take

something that is nice and wide, and spacious, and as someone who used to live in Somerville, where everything is cramped and dangerous, and appreciates the breadth of the roads in Arlington, the thought of narrowing that is a bit frightening.

So, I came here hoping to find some data, hoping to be convinced, to learn a little bit more. Unfortunately, at this point, I remain unconvinced. I was hoping to see some data, to see some transparency or a model, some figures with units on them, things like that; and so, if there is a way to get access to that, I would appreciate it. I think it would be good to have.

Really, my questions are two-fold. Will this be put to a vote for town citizens to vote on and, if so, when? What is the procedure? Is it possible to stop this? I am not necessarily trying to but, if it were, what is the procedure for doing that? Where are we exactly in the process? Can someone answer that?

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: I can answer that about the vote. This project, as proposed, it is not going to a vote, per se, for this project. What was your second question?

1	CHRIS HASS: If folks were in opposition, I
2	know you are pitching to a whole town crowd tonight
3	but I suspect there may be other opinions outside of
4	the room, if that were the case, what is the best
5	course of action?
6	MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Well, we take all
7	the comments under consideration that we have heard
8	tonight and then, based on what has happened tonight
9	and comments we get after the public hearing, then we
10	make a collective decision with Federal Highway,
11	MassDOT, and the Town on how to proceed.
12	CHRIS HASS: So, folks should send the
13	comments to?
14	MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: To Tom Broderick.
15	MICHAEL TREPANIER: Chief Engineer.
16	MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: The Chief Engineer,
17	and it is on the back sheet of the handout. Did you
18	get it?
19	CHRIS HASS: Yes, thank you. (applause)
20	DONNA JANIS: Donna Janis. Last name is J-
21	a-n-i-s, and I live on Mass. Ave. in East Arlington
22	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can you get closer
23	to the microphone?
24	DONNA JANIS: I am a fan of the plan. I do

have a big concern. On Page 2 of your seventy-five percent engineering drawings, note number five from the surveyor says, the property lines are only approximate. When were they last surveyed? I have heard it is more than a hundred years, and how can you lay a road or take two hundred and forty private property easements without knowing exactly where the property lines are? Does that break any laws or regulations? Who is your land surveyor and when will he or she be surveying these properties? That is a big concern to me.

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Another concern -- well, I am going to just Back in 2009, we submitted a make a comment. (2:51:22) Plan Alternative Resident's Four-Lane Design, and one of the things we called for was pedestrian on-demand crossing lights at Orvis Road and I think the other one was at Marathon Street and, just as a general comment, I am surprised that your doesn't call for any on-demand pedestrian plan I hope your plan doesn't crossing lights. through, that we keep four lanes but, if the worst happens and it does, I still think that would be a nice addition, especially at Orvis, which, you know, I do realize we need that kind of help.

The other thing is, I have a single lane driveway. My family has lived in the house for over sixty years, and it is always a challenge to back out I know to be careful but, we have onto Mass. Ave. tenants and some of these seventeen single-lane driveways along this one mile corridor, I can't imagine adding bike lanes. I had a document and, when I went out back, it disappeared from my tote bag, and I had a -- I have copies I can send you, but a document off of the Town's website in 2009, saying they expected the bike lanes to encourage bicycles to move from Minuteman onto Mass. Ave., and they said that it was a desirable and a faster route for the faster bicycles because they wouldn't be dodging pedestrians.

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So, given that the Town -- oh, and I wrote letter to MassDOT and the Town, never got a response about that concern. Has anybody even thought about how many bikes might migrate to Mass. Ave. and, ten days after I sent my letters, that withdrawn from the Town web comment was site, So, nobody has looked at the quantity of miracle. bikes that are going to be attracted onto Mass. Ave. We have got the second most popular bikeway in the country two blocks away in parallel. It is a problem that needs to be addressed. Thank you. (applause)

MARTIN LONG: Hi. I will assume this doesn't work, so --

MICHAEL TREPANIER: Just speak up.

MARTIN LONG: My name is Martin Long, L-o-n-g. I have been a resident of East Arlington for ten years, and I am in enthusiastic support of this plan, primarily because it is finally doing something. It is so bad that you couldn't possibly make it worse.

Now, I am a -- I am a big walker. I firmly believe walkers should have priority pretty much everywhere and, just to improve the beauty and the experience of walking in East Arlington, I support this.

Is there a member of the Police Force here by any chance? I hope one message we can take back to the Town is that we really do need to enforce traffic laws vis-a-vis pedestrians in East Arlington. I personally memorize at least two license plates every day of cars that cross in front of me on crosswalks. I work from home. I walk my dog. I walk Massachusetts Avenue literally hours a day. It

is an abomination. So, I hope that, in conjunction with this, we can do something about enforcing those laws.

Primarily the reason I support this is because Massachusetts Avenue is a highway right now. People are regularly going forty-five and fifty miles an hour and it simply has to stop. So, I thank all of you. Having been in Local Government myself, I know what a thankless job it is to do all of the hard work you do, and to have people who do not bother to do the research question you. So, thank you very much. I have, in fact, followed the plan for several years and thank you for finally, please finally, doing something. (applause)

SHUNSUKE YAMAGUCHI: Hi. My name is Shunsuke Yamaguchi. That's Y-a-m-a-g-u-c-h-i, and I have been a resident at East Arlington for sixteen years. I live on Mass. Ave., at 221 Mass. Ave. That is the blue house (2:56:00) and, first of all, I want to say, those were awesome speeches but, anyway, I have three kids, one who bicycles to the high school every morning, a girl that takes the bus in front of our house, and I have a kindergartner, who will probably be walking to school, and I am totally for

walking to school, you know, pedestrian safety and bicycle safety. I also say to my son, hey, where do you have to be careful, and he just says, wait, because he has to look this way back to cross.

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Anyway, 221 Mass. Ave. is on board. We know it is going to be very loud and I am going to say like, man, they started already. It's only -- or, oh, I can't hear that on TV or something, but I am totally for it and I can't wait to hear that noise going dadadadadadadada. So, thank you very much. (applause)

Thank you. My name is Paul PAUL KENT: Kent, K-e-n-t. I live in Precinct 16. I am a Member of the Transportation Advisory Committee, also a business owner in town, motorist, pedestrian, sometime bicycle rider. Ι am expressing opposition. I must say, the elimination of a travel lane in the westbound direction troubles me. road is used as four lanes. I think that needs to be part of the plan.

I was distressed to learn that the initial plan only had one travel lane in each direction. The concerns expressed by the opponents of the plan as drawn, I think these are real concerns. A lot of

these people who are abutters live on side streets that will be dealing with increased traffic flow as a result of this plan.

As Mr. Harrington indicated, and I have seen in my lifetime as a nearly lifelong resident in Arlington, Pleasant Street has undergone a constriction and we are dealing with the effects of that. So, I just wanted to give my opposition to the plan as drawn. Please consider the four lanes instead of three. Thank you. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Thank you.

LYMAN JUDD: My name is Lyman Judd, L-y-m-a-n J-u-d-d. I have been a resident of Arlington since August 24th, 1940. All of my life I have lived here; also, Arlington High '59. I have yet to see a single so-called traffic improvement in all of lifetime that has improved it. A good example, which was brought up before, is Pleasant Street. That is usually backed up from Route 2 into Arlington Center, and vice versa.

You people seem to be overlooking the fact that Massachusetts Avenue from Alewife up until Mystic Street is Route 2A, state route, and Route 3, state route. Now, Route 2 was never completed

because the environmentalists knocked off the 1948 Highway Plan. There is no Southwest Master Expressway. There is no Northwest. There is no Inner Belt. All of these were designed as a package. You take one leg away from a three-leg stool, it falls over; thing with this. Therefore, same Arlington is burdened with more and more traffic.

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Right now, if you would go to your socalled Traffic Calming Plan, when I hear this bicycle friendly, to me it means automobile unfriendly. Speaking of that, bicycles, do they pay any excise Not that I know of. Do you have to have a tax? I haven't seen that, and I have seen more license? and more bicycle/pedestrian accidents where I live on Winslow Street at the corner of Mass. Ave., elderly people being run over by these bicyclists who are not supposed to ride the bicycle on a sidewalk. maybe if you did a little traffic enforcement on them, we would be a little more bicycle friendly.

Also, the talks about the speed in East Arlington, our Police Force over the years has been hollowed out to practically nothing, same with our Fire Department. Why? Because of Education or other little departments that get tacked on. Therefore,

what we need when we are talking speeding enforcement, the only way to have enforcement is if you have people to do it, and we don't. Number one.

Number two is the fact that, when you get onto any of these things -- you were talking about the pedestrian safety. I haven't seen -- I have no objection to have a traffic light at practically every corner with a crosswalk, pedestrian operated but, in the absence of that, and I know there are people in this town that are not able to walk very well, it would help if we were doing that, and that is all is was, was bicycle -- was pedestrian safety but, no, this is bicycle hijacking what we, the motorists have paid for.

Again, they don't have any license, so you can't identify them unless you have a picture of them. When I was younger, we used to have to get license plates for our bicycles from the Police Department. I don't see that happening. I think that this is really a whole bunch of stuff being thrown against the motorists, and one other quick things is, I see we have got a Police Detachment here tonight. Were you people that afraid?

MICHAEL TREPANIER: No, sir. Thank you for

1 you comments.

2 LYMAN JUDD: (applause) And you will hear 3 more from me.

4 MICHAEL TREPANIER: Thank you.

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, sir.

NAWWAF KABA: Good evening. My name is Nawwaf Kaba, K-a-b-a. I am a -- I have been a resident since 2003, and a Town Meeting Member. I would like to thank you guys for sitting through this one more time. I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for their support.

I am a supporter of the project. I have to say, I like it a little less today than I liked it when it had only one lane on the westbound. I do not like the addition of that one lane but, other than that, I think that the project relocates the excess capacity of the road to benefit all the users a lot better than what is happening today, and I also -- I was a little upset that FHWA asked for this extra meeting and forced this meeting but now, after seeing the turnout, I am actually very happy because, if there was any doubt about the support for the project in the town before, it has vanished today.

I hear the opponents talking about the fact

that they represent ninety-eight percent of the
people in Arlington. Where are they? I don't see
them here. The support here is for this project.
Most of the people here are for this project. Plus,
a couple of years ago they submitted letters from
over seventy businesses that supported that were
against the project. This time it is only thirty-
five, and I would like to enter into the record these
two flyers that they used to get those signatures and
maybe people can read them along with those letters
to actually get the idea of half truths and the lies
that were being told to the businesses. I have
spoken to several of the businesses in my area

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: We have already submitted those. They are part of the package.

NAWWAF KABA: I'm glad. Thank you. I also spoke to many of the businesses in the area and I heard a couple of stories about how the people who are collecting those signatures were actually -- they would get in shouting matches with whoever wasn't actually supporting.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Give the specifics of that.

MICHAEL TREPANIER: Let him speak.

NAWWAF KABA: No, I am not going to give specifics. Maria knows who it is.

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UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes?

NAWWAF KABA: That's it. I support the project. Thank you very much for your time. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Thank you.

My name is Betty BETTY STONE: Hello. Stone, S-t-o-n-e, and I live on Harlow Street in East I purchased my home in 2003, so I am Arlington. barely a nine year resident but I chose Arlington and I chose it specifically because it has a community. It is a community feel, and one of the selling points was a mere seven minute walk to the Capitol Theater, a local theater, restaurants, shops, little green grocer. It was the place that I chose as my last home before, who knows, my very last home, my place where I was going to age in place, if you will.

So for me, unlike Mr. Aslanian, who moved into East Arlington in his thirties and just became a father on Saturday night, it's going to be the place where, when I no longer can drive and I can't bike, I still will be able to walk and enjoy the community at

the end of Mass. Ave. and, for that, I am not interested in a four lane super highway on Mass. Ave.

I am interested in a safe, walkable place, where I can get to the end of Harlow Street, cross the street, get my bus, go as I wish.

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I am not interested in a four lane super highway on Mass. Ave. because I enjoy now and I want to be able to bike safely up and down that road. It is the sense of community.

I am going to leave the data and process arguments to those of you who have already made For me it's a question of, from my heart it is a community, a sense of community, and I support this proposal and this plan, and I appreciate that you all from the Mass. Department of Edu -- sorry, I am a Retired Teacher. I am always talking to the Department of Education. Mass. You are Transportation. I appreciate that you came out. have been out several times to speak with us because this is a livable and a workable, and a safe plan, think it will substantially improve and Ι Arlington for the residents and for the businesses alike. So, thank you very much. (applause)

My name

is

Mustafa

MUSTAFA VAROGLU:

Varoglu. It is spelled M-u-s-t-a-f-a Varoglu, V like Victor -a-o-g-l-u. So, I would like to speak in support of the plan. I am just looking through your documents and the purpose of this project is to balance and improve vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian movement, and streetscape, and it goes on and on. I think the purpose is being met by the current plan. I think it could be met in many other ways, as well, but I think this current plan is meeting it and should be kept.

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In addition, as an Arlington resident, I am also on the Safe Routes to School Committee for the Brackett School, which is not in this area, but I have spoken to other Safe Routes to School Committee Members, and currently Arlington has instituted buffer zones for different schools. So, that means Thompson School children will be on the north side of Mass. Ave. and Hardy School children will be on the south side of Mass. Ave., and this is a newly implemented plan, probably going forward for who knows how long, probably forever; and so, I think there will be an expectation that children will be crossing, at school times, Mass. Ave. on a regular basis going forward and definitely pedestrian safety 1 needs to be improved.

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My family tends to drive to East Arlington. Even though we tend to bike pretty much everywhere from the Center up to Lexington as a family, Mass. Ave., after the Center, is far too fast. I am actually a pretty experienced bicyclist. I don't like biking on Mass. Ave. east of the Center.

When we get to East Arlington, we don't cross the street to go to different tend to businesses. I love the Greek bakery on the north I love Christos on the southside, and I like side. I like the theater. Clay Dreams. We don't cross and forth, and clearly not right at intersection, and so those businesses, we basically give business to half the businesses there, and we would like to give business to all of them, and I don't think slowing down the traffic a little bit is going -- is worth actually losing all the other benefits of this plan. (applause) I do think slowing down the traffic a little bit is worth -- I said that wrong.

JOHN DUNN: Hello. My name is John Dunn.

I am a fifty-two year resident of the Town of
Arlington, born, still live here. I own and operate

Arlington Vision Center, located in East Arlington. I am concerned about the negative impact of reducing a travel lane on Mass. Ave. I have surveyed eighty-four business owners along Mass. Avenue for the project in East Arlington. Seventy-seven business owners were not in favor of the plan. Four had no opinion and three were in favor of it.

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This is information that was provided at the last DOT meeting. Yet, two days later, much to my surprise, the Arlington Advocate reported that businesses were in favor of the plan but, according to my survey, this is not the case. Business owners are strongly in favor of public safety and it should be first and foremost. We need easy access to the business districts that include pedestrians, bicycles and cars. I believe this can be obtained by four travel lanes, retaining the improving updating traffic signals at Foster, Lake Street and Thorndike. I also believe in installing pedestrian walk signals at Orvis and Marathon Road, similar to signals that were installed at the end of the Mill Street for the bike path, which flashes as people approach Mill Street.

There are many things that can be done to

1	improve travel for everyone on Mass. Avenue, but I do
2	not favor the reduction of the four lanes. I believe
3	Mass. Avenue can be used as a share roadway for
4	bikes, pedestrians and cars, and I would think this
5	would create consistency in the roadway connecting
6	from Arlington Center into Route 16 in Cambridge.
7	Thank you. (applause)
8	MICHAEL TREPANIER: I just want to be clear
9	that these, the last three speakers tonight will be
10	the we are all standing. We need to get out of
11	here at some point this evening. We are running out
12	of time and, while many of you get to leave
13	immediately after, we do have some closeout work we
14	need to do. So, if there is anyone else incredibly
15	interested in speaking, I invite you to stand now
16	but, otherwise, these three gentlemen will be our
17	last speakers this evening.
18	MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Thank you.
19	MICHAEL TREPANIER: Agreed?
20	MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Yes, sir.
21	ANDREW BENGTSON: Andrew Bengtson, B-e-n-g-
22	t-s-o-n. I live at
23	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can you speak up?
24	ANDREW BENGTSON: Sure, Andrew Bengtson,

Allen Street in East Arlington. I live with my wife and my daughter there, and so, recently my second grade daughter has been talking about moving out of the house when she is older. I don't know when that happens, in second grade if that is normal, but she wants to stay on the same street, right? In fact, we live on Allen Street and she wants to move close to Officer Hogan's house, and Officer Hogan's house, if you all don't know it, his sidekick Dasty. It's our canine here in town, and she feels — she would feel more secure knowing that Dasty is only less than a block away.

So, in the same way, I feel a dedicated bike lane is safe. Cars stay to the left of a continuous line. I don't get that same sense when I ride on sharrowed roads. Typically, sharrows wear away really fast or it just seems that way. I don't know, and they also just seem more work to maintain, whereas a line, if it breaks up, you can still see a line; and so, cars will stay on that left side.

I am a year-round rider and few exceptions to cars who cross that line when they are moving. So, in fifteen years, and this year has been mentioned, 2028, my daughter will be an adult and I

hope a cyclist, and I would like to think that this project will be implemented and provide a safer option for cyclists. So, I urge you all to take a long view, think of all of Arlington's children and grandchildren and stay on course to build the project as designed. So, I support the project and hope to see it implemented. Thank you. (applause)

ED TREMBLY: My name is Ed Trembly. I live on Wright Street in Arlington Heights. I am a --

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Will you spell your last name for us?

ED TREMBLY: T-r-e-m-b-l-y.

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Thank you.

ED TREMBLY: I am a veteran of reconstructed roads. They just rebuilt Forest Street and it is very near my house, and I have no doubt it was built to DOT specifications and, yet, the street that I have to come out of onto Forest Street, if you drive anything larger than a car, you have to drive on the wrong side of the road to not run over the curbs.

Now, your drawings here have no dimensions in them. So, I am going in with the curb radius design, the corner radius. I am glad that you have

got handicap ramps in there because that will allow those of us who drive vehicles that are bigger than a car to run along the curbs, tearing the sidewalks out of our tires.

The other thing I find interesting, I have been hearing a lot of people talk about how they are looking forward to riding on Mass. Ave. on their bikes with their kids. I also know, from driving up and down Mass. Ave., that some of the people who ride bikes on Mass. Ave. are going maybe twenty-five or thirty miles an hour. So, that is going to be an interesting mix, of having people riding on Mass. Ave. on their bikes with their kids and the commuter bikes going thirty miles an hour in a five foot lane.

I also have no doubt that, if this project is completed, it will in fact attract a lot of bike riders off the Minuteman Bike Path onto Mass. Ave. So, there will be a reasonable amount of bike traffic and, for those people who think that a lot of bike traffic mixed with passenger car traffic is a good idea, maybe you ought to take a ride down on Beacon Street in Somerville during rush hour and try to get out of a side street, crossing two lanes, and that is what this becomes because there is a lane of bikes

and a lane of cars, and try to cross two lanes of traffic that are going vastly different speeds. This is really going to tie up traffic. So, maybe they will be going the same speed. I don't know.

But, anyway, it is -- it can be a little bit of a challenge to get through a heavily trafficked bike lane and a heavily trafficked passenger car lane. So, for all those people who think that this will improve things, I am not so sure about that. Thank you for your time.

Oh, one other -- one final comment. I have heard a few people talk about how -- how do I say this without -- I am not a hundred percent convinced that Traffic Engineers are the end all and be all because I have lived on this planet long enough to run into a few, at least one or two intersections designed by Traffic Engineers that are horrible. I will point to the intersection at the end of Route 2 by Alewife as an example of a traffic engineering nightmare, and so, thank you very much. (applause)

MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: I think this is the last comment.

ALLEN TAUBER: Thank you. My name is Allen Tauber. That is T-a-u-b-e-r, and I am honored to be

the last speaker here tonight. Thank you all.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Congratulations.

ALLEN TAUBER: I live on Thorndike Street in East Arlington. Thanks for letting me say a few words. I have edited this very heavily after most people have said what I wanted to say.

I am also a business owner in Arlington, and an Arlington resident for ten year. I have been with the Arlington Center for the Arts for almost twenty years, where I have the studio that I have been teaching for, for that long. I live with my family on Thorndike Street. My business is Strong Connection, right in the center of what we are talking about, right on Lake -- on Mass. Ave., right at the intersection of Lake Street. It is a music shop, right in the Capitol Block, as we refer to it these days.

I spend most of my hours every day and night looking out of the window, just like the person from the Capitol Theater does, right out my shop window onto Mass. Ave., across from Flora Restaurant. My business depends upon people being able to find parking spaces in that area and being able to walk down the sidewalk to my shop.

For those reasons, as well as others, I am speaking tonight in favor of, and that is for the Mass. Ave. Project as it stands today. I personally feel it will make Mass. Avenue safer for pedestrians and bicyclists, and cars. I believe it will make East Arlington more attractive for businesses and business patrons to come into that area. We have to find common good in the Mass. Avenue Project and get behind it. Delaying any further, in my opinion, is a grave mistake.

As I write these words, I am standing right on Mass. Ave., right on the sidewalk and it is 5:53 p.m. That was tonight. I see cars going both ways. I see bicycles with lights. I see some pedestrians coming home from work, I believe. Nothing serious. Everything is normal but I think, if we go ahead with this project, and start on it soon, which I encourage you to do, cars will have an easier time making the trip from Route 16 to Arlington Center. I think that people will be more attracted to coming to this area to do their shopping, their banking, going out for a bite to eat, a dinner, a movie, a haircut, the beauty salon, and a piece of pizza.

I think the Mass. Ave. Project will do us

all good. Certainly, pedestrians will be safer and, 1 2 as we look into the future, I think this current 3 project, this current layout, will help us as traffic increases as is projected, and I really hope that you 4 do not try to stop the progressive ideas of this 5 6 well-thought-out plan. I do believe that this is the 7 time to go forward and make the Massachusetts Avenue 8 Project in East Arlington a reality. Please go 9 forward with this plan. Thank you. (applause) 10 MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Alright. We are 11 going to wrap things up. I will be here for a little 12 while longer while we are getting wrapped up. 13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can you please 14 remind us how to make public comments, how we write them, etc. (inaudible phrase) 15 16 MARIE ROSE, MODERATOR: Thank you for your 17 respectful behavior tonight. We all appreciate it, 18 and thank you to the Town for providing this venue. 19 The Hearing is now closed. 20 End of Design Public Hearing +++ 21 22 23 24

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#### **DESIGN PUBLIC HEARING**

**FEBRUARY 26, 2013** 

 $\mathbf{AT}$ 

TOWN HALL AUDITORIUM

730 MASS. AVE.

ARLINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS

7:00 PM

#### FOR THE PROPOSED

RECONSTRUCTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, FROM POND LANE TO CAMBRIDGE CITY LINE Project No. 604687 Project Management

IN THE TOWN OF ARLINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
HIGHWAY DIVISION

FRANCIS A. DEPAOLA, P.E. HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR

THOMAS F. BRODERICK, P.E. CHIEF ENGINEER

### THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAY DIVISION NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

Project File No. 604687

A Design Public Hearing will be held by MassDOT to discuss the proposed Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue, from Pond Lane to the Cambridge City Line in Arlington, MA.

WHERE:

Town Hall Auditorium

730 Mass. Avc.

Arlington, MA 02476

WHEN:

Tucsday, February 26, 2013 at 7:00 PM

PURPOSE: The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue in Arlington, MA. All views and comments made at the hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: The proposed project consists of milling and overlaying existing pavements; removal and resetting existing granite curb; installation of new granite curb; reconstruction of existing cement concrete sidewalks; construction of new wheelchair ramps; replacement of existing traffic signals; installation of new traffic signals; installation of new signs and pavement markings; installation of landscaping and streetscape amenities. The project also involves ADA accessibility upgrades, improvements to pedestrian safety, and bicycle accommodation improvements along Massachusetts Avenue. The proposed Mass. Ave. cross section will typically consist of two 11 foot lanes eastbound and one 14-15 foot wide lane westbound; one 5 foot bike lane in each direction (one eastbound and one westbound); and 8-10 foot wide parking lanes/bus stops on each side from Pond Lane to Alewife Brook Parkway. Additional travel lanes and turn lanes will be provided at major intersections where appropriate.

A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. The Town of Arlington is responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT's policy concerning land acquisitions will be discussed at this hearing.

Written views received by MassDOT subsequent to the date of this notice and up to five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing shall be displayed for public inspection and copying at the time and date listed above. Plans will be on display one-half hour before the hearing begins, with an engineer in attendance to answer questions regarding this project. A project handout will be made available on the MassDOT website listed below.

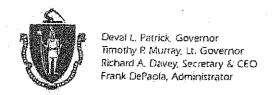
Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition to, oral statements made at the Public Hearing regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687. Such submissions will also be accepted at the hearing. Mailed statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in the public hearing transcript must be postmarked within ten (10) business days of this Public Hearing. Project inquiries may be emailed to dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us

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#### Dear Concerned Citizen:

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) is committed to building and maintaining a transportation infrastructure that is both safe and efficient for all who use our roadways, bridges, bicycle facilities and pedestrian paths, while maintaining the integrity of the environment.

As part of the design process for this project, we are conducting this public hearing to explain the proposed improvements, listen to your comments and answer any questions you may have. At the conclusion of the hearing, MassDOT will review all of your comments and, where feasible, incorporate them into the design of the project.

We recognize that road and bridge construction can create inconveniences for the public. MassDOT places a great deal of emphasis on minimizing the temporary disruptive effects of construction.

MassDOT encourages input from local communities and values your opinions. Please be assured that we will undertake no project without addressing the concerns of the community.

Sincerely,

Frank DePaola

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Administrator, Highway Division

#### WHAT IS A PUBLIC HEARING?

#### WHY A PUBLIC HEARING?

To provide an assured method whereby the Commonwealth of Massachusetts can furnish to the public information concerning the State's highway construction proposals, and to afford every interested resident of the area an opportunity to be heard on any proposed project. At the same time, the hearings afford the Commonwealth an additional opportunity to receive information from local sources which would be of value to the State in making its final decisions to what design should be advanced for development.

#### WHY NOT A VOTE ON HIGHWAY PLANS?

The hearings are not intended to be a popular referendum for the purpose of determining the nature of a proposed improvement by a majority of those present. They do not relieve the duly constituted officials of a State highway department of the necessity for making decisions in State highway matters for which they are charged with full responsibility.

#### WHAT DOES A PUBLIC HEARING ACCOMPLISH?

It is designed to ensure the opportunity for, or the availability of, a forum to provide factual information which is pertinent to the determination of the final alternative considered by the state to best serve the public interest, and on which improvement projects are proposed to be undertaken.

It is important that the people of the area express their views in regard to the proposal being presented, so that views can be properly recorded in the minutes of the meeting. These minutes will be carefully studied and taken into consideration in the determination of the final design.

#### RIGHT OF WAY ISSUES

A secure right of way is necessary for this project. Temporary construction easements may be required. Your municipality is responsible for acquiring all necessary rights in private or public lands. If your property is affected, your rights are fully protected under law.

#### 1. REASON FOR PROJECT

The completion of this project will serve local needs. The proposed enhancement will also be in the interest of others in the greater community, and provide for the public good.

#### 2. WHO CONTACTS ME?

Representatives of the municipality have already contacted or will contact you. They will explain the procedures used in acquiring any necessary rights in land.

#### 3. WHAT ABOUT DONATIONS? WHAT IS A RIGHT OF ENTRY?

Town officials will often seek donations of parcels, where permanent rights are required. This procedure will minimize the acquisition cost for your community.

A Right of Entry is a document that is signed by the owner. It allows the Contractor to perform certain types of work on the owner's land. The work is usually minor in nature and frequently consists of loaming/seeding behind sidewalks, new driveway apron work, grading/sloping, and wetland protection, etc. The rights granted are temporary in nature.

#### 4. WHAT IS A FAIR PRICE FOR THE ACQUIRED PARCELS?

In the event that donations are not considered, or completed, every effort will be made to ensure that an equitable value is awarded. Municipal and/or outside appraisers will complete an appraisal. Consideration is given to the type of rights needed, whether in fee, permanent or temporary easements. The appraisal will be the basis for arriving at a fair price (for damages that result).

#### 5. MUST I ACCEPT THE MUNICIPALITY'S OFFER?

No, if the owner feels that the offer is not fair the owner may petition the courts. This action does not stop or delay the acquisition. The action must occur within 3 years. The owner(s) may be paid pro tanto (for the time being). The pro tanto payment will not prejudice the court's final decision.



Map Source: Office of Geographic and Environmental Information (MassGIS), Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs Massachusetts Avenue Corridor Project Phase I - Pond Lane to Cambridge City Line Arlington, Massachusetts Project file No. 604687

### RECONSTRUCTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, FROM POND LANE TO CAMBRIDGE CITY LINE

#### ARLINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS

#### PROJECT FILE NO. 604687

#### **PROJECT LOCATION**

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) Highway Division and the Town of Arlington are proposing roadway and intersection improvements to Massachusetts Avenue in Arlington, Massachusetts. The project extends along Mass. Ave. from Pond Lane to the Cambridge City Line for a length of approximately 5,700 feet. See attached locus map (Figure A).

#### PROJECT PURPOSE

The purpose of this project is to balance and improve the vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian movement, enhance streetscape, and improve safety along the corridor by creating a consistent cross section, improving the roadway crossings and adjusting the lane configuration to create more orderly traffic flow.

Currently, Massachusetts Avenue is confusing and dangerous due to the wide roadway and unorganized traffic. Current lane markings are completely worn, leaving the road without defined travel lanes. Although many bicyclists use Massachusetts Avenue for commuting or other purposes, there is no designated area for riders. Crossing the avenue by pedestrians is also dangerous due to the wide roadway and unorganized traffic.

#### SCOPE OF WORK

The proposed project includes milling and overlaying existing pavements; removal and resetting existing granite curb; installation of new granite curb; reconstruction of existing cement concrete sidewalks; construction of new wheelchair ramps; replacement of existing traffic signals; installation of new traffic signals; installation of new signs and pavement markings; installation of landscaping and streetscape amenities. The project involves changes to vehicular flow, ADA accessibility upgrades, bicycle accommodation, and enhanced pedestrian safety measures along Massachusetts Avenue. The proposed Mass. Ave. cross section will typically consist of two 11 foot lanes eastbound and one 14-15 foot wide lane westbound; raised and flush medians and/or turn lanes at select locations; one 5 foot bike lane in each direction (one eastbound and one westbound); 8-10 foot wide parking lanes and bus stops on both sides of the road; and 6-10 foot wide cement concrete sidewalks on each side from Pond Lane to Alewife Brook Parkway. Additional travel lanes and turn lanes will be provided at major intersections where appropriate. Sidewalk extensions (aka bumpouts) and crosswalks will be added to enhance pedestrian safety.

In general, the proposed improvements focus on improving all modes of transportation through the corridor and maintaining the connection between Cambridge and Lexington. The existing traffic and intersections have been assessed to provide a design that utilizes the roadway to capacity. Designated turn lanes and signal timing modifications are proposed at various intersections to improve traffic flow and safety. A new traffic signal is proposed at the intersection of Bates Road/Marion Road and Mass. Ave. Existing signals are proposed to be replaced at the following intersections with Mass. Ave.:

- Foster Street/Linwood Street
- Lake Street/Winter Street
- · Teel Street/Thorndike Street

Traffic signal modifications will also improve pedestrian and bicycle crossings at these intersections.

#### RIGHT OF WAY

The proposed roadway and sidewalk improvements will impact the majority of properties along the project corridor and will require permanent and/or temporary easements for affected parcels, necessary to reconstruct the existing cement concrete sidewalks. The Town of Arlington will be responsible for acquiring all necessary rights on affected parcels.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

A Request for Determination (RDA) for the project was filed with the Arlington Conservation Commission under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (WPA) for the proposed work occurring within the 100' buffer to bank and 200' riverfront area associated with Alewife Brook. Work within the buffer and riverfront area along Massachusetts Avenue includes cold planing and resurfacing of existing pavements, full-depth construction in the sidewalk area, and improvements to the existing drainage system. The Arlington Conservation Commission issued a Wetlands Permit for the project on October 19, 1012.

The proposed project involves sidewalk reconstruction totaling more than one acre of earth disturbance and, therefore, a Stormwater Construction General Permit in accordance with Phase II of the Environmental Protection Agency's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program will be required.

#### PROJECT SCHEDULE

The design plans displayed at this meeting are at the 75%/100% stage of completion. Comments made at this design hearing will be incorporated to the maximum extent feasible in the final design.

#### PROJECT COST

The project construction cost is estimated to be approximately \$6.8 million and will be funded through the Fiscal Year 2013 Transportation Improvement Program for the Boston Metropolitan Planning Organization.

## THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HIGHWAY DIVISION

#### FEDERAL AID PROJECT

#### ARLINGTON, MA

# RECONSTRUCTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, FROM POND LANE TO CAMBRIDGE CITY LINE Project File No. 604687

This sheet is provided for your comments. Your input is solicited and appreciated. Please return your sheet, with comments, to a staff member at the meeting, or mail to:

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer MassDOT – Highway Division 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116-3973 Attn: Project Management

The final date for receipt of written statements and exhibits for inclusion into the official hearing transcript will be ten (10) days after the Public Hearing. <b>Please type or print legibly.</b>			
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FOR THE PROPOSED

RECONSTRUCTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, FROM POND LANE TO CAMBRIDGE CITY LINE Project File No.: 604687

IN THE TOWN OF ARLINGTON

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
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#### 1 PROCEEDINGS

- 2 MODERATOR KIMBERLEY SLOAN: Well, good
- 3 evening, everybody. My name is Kimberley Sloan. And
- 4 I work in the Project Management Section of the
- 5 Massachusetts Department of Transportation
- 6 headquarters in Boston. I was directed by Acting
- 7 Chief Engineer Thomas Broderick to conduct tonight's
- 8 hearing.
- 9 First, I'd like to introduce the
- 10 members of the hearing panel with me this evening. To
- 11 my right is Mr. Greg Tarbox with Arlington Typing and
- 12 Mailing. Greg will be making a verbatim transcript of
- 13 tonight's hearing. Pam Marquis with MassDOT Right of
- 14 Way Bureau. To my left, Frank Suszynski with MassDOT
- 15 District 4. To my far left is the Arlington Board of
- 16 Selectmen: Clarissa Rowe, Kevin Greeley, Annie
- 17 LaCourt, Diane Mahon, and Dan Dunn.
- 18 Clarissa will be introducing the rest
- 19 of the panel.
- 20 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you,
- 21 Kim.
- 22 First of all, I want to introduce the
- 23 Town officials that are here, but I also want to give
- 24 a great thanks to our State Senator Ken Donnelly who

- 1 is here, and Representative Will Brownsberger who is
- 2 here. Representative Sean Garballey is I believe at a
- 3 meeting in Worcester doing redistricting and is going
- 4 to try and come later.
- 5 We have Brian Sullivan, our Town
- 6 Manager her; Juliana Rice, Town Counsel; Mike
- 7 Rademacher, who does two jobs -- he's head of the DPW
- 8 and he's also our Town Engineer.
- 9 And, from FST, we have Rick Azzalina,
- 10 John Michalak, Doug Prentiss, and from Waterfield
- 11 Design we have Christine Scypinski, landscape
- 12 architect.
- We also have, somewhere I hope, Jack
- 14 Jones of our Disability Commission. I hope he's here.
- 15 And we have Ed Starr, the Chair of our Traffic
- 16 Advisory Committee.
- 17 MODERATOR SLOAN: Thank you, Clarissa.
- 18 So, I just want to mention a few things
- 19 before we get started. The notice of the public
- 20 hearing that can be found in your brochure --
- 21 hopefully everybody got a brochure in front of the
- 22 room -- the notice appeared in the Arlington Advocate
- 23 on March 24<sup>th</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup>, in the *Boston Globe* on
- 24 March 29<sup>th</sup> and April 5<sup>th</sup>.

- 1 The brochure handed out to you this
- 2 evening explains the purpose of the hearing, which is
- 3 to give us an opportunity to make a formal
- 4 presentation of the proposed project and, at the same
- 5 time, allows us to record your comments concerning
- 6 this project.
- 7 This project is being funded with
- 8 federal and state funds. MassDOT, along with the
- 9 Federal Highway Administration, has reviewed this
- 10 Town-design project for compliance with federal and
- 11 state standards. The Town will also be funding a
- 12 portion of this project.
- The total estimated cost of this
- 14 project is \$5.8 million. This does not include any
- 15 right of way acquisition costs.
- 16 The design is expected to be completed
- 17 by the fall of 2011. Construction is expected to be
- 18 completed within approximately 24 months time.
- 19 This project must be programmed for
- 20 construction in the Statewide Transportation
- 21 Improvement Program within the appropriate federal
- 22 fiscal year in order for MassDOT to advertise this
- 23 project.
- Next, I'd like to ask Pam Marquis with

- 1 MassDOT Right of Way Bureau to explain our right of
- 2 way procedures.
- 3 Pam?
- 4 PAMELA MARQUIS: Thank you, Kim.
- 5 Can everybody hear me?
- 6 AUDIENCE: Yes.
- 7 PAMELA MARQUIS: Good evening. When
- 8 the Commonwealth, acting through its Massachusetts
- 9 Department of Transportation Highway Division,
- 10 indicated it would accept this \$5.8 million project
- 11 for funding under our Federal Aid Program, your
- 12 municipality accepted certain responsibilities. One
- 13 of those responsibilities is to acquire all the
- 14 necessary rights in private and public lands for the
- 15 design, construction, and implementation of this
- 16 project.
- 17 My function is to review and recommend
- 18 procedures that your municipality will utilize in
- 19 acquiring these rights. The procedures used must
- 20 comply with both federal and state regulations.
- 21 The current design plan indicates that
- 22 five permanent easements will be required and that
- 23 other areas may require temporary construction
- 24 easements or rights of entries. Your municipality may

- 1 acquire the needed rights through a combination of
- 2 donations, eminent domain, deed grants, permits, or
- 3 rights of entries.
- 4 Frequently, local municipalities will
- 5 appeal for donations. The donation procedure
- 6 minimizes the acquisition cost to your community.
- 7 Donations and rights of entries are not required, and
- 8 property owners are entitled to an appraisal and just
- 9 compensation.
- 10 This project cannot be advertised until
- 11 the new proposed Right of Way is secured, and the
- 12 Right of Way Bureau issues a Federal Aid Right of Way
- 13 Certificate.
- 14 Affected property owners' rights are
- 15 protected under Massachusetts General Laws, primarily
- 16 Chapter 79. And because this project is receiving
- 17 federal funds, the property owners' rights are further
- 18 defined under Title III of the Real Property Act of
- 19 1970 as amended.
- I will be happy to answer any general
- 21 questions concerning right of way activities during
- 22 the open forum, and I will be available after the
- 23 Design Public Hearing for any other questions you may
- 24 have.

1	Thank you.
2	MODERATOR SLOAN: Thank you, Pam.
3	Next, I'd like to invite Rick Azzalina
4	with Fay, Spofford & Thorndike to describe the project
5	in detail for you. Please hold all of your questions
6	until after he has completed his presentation and we
7	have opened the hearing to the public. Thank you.
8	Rick?
9	RICHARD AZZALINA: Thank you, Kim.
10	Is my voice coming across okay for
11	everyone to hear?
12	AUDIENCE: Yes.
13	RICHARD AZZALINA: Thank you. Thank
14	you for all coming this evening. Your comments
15	obviously are much needed and much appreciated for
16	this very important project, and it's evident by the
17	turnout here this evening.
18	I'm going to go through a quick
19	PowerPoint presentation because I know a lot of people
20	want a chance to speak. But I want to give you a
21	general overview of the project elements, its
22	components, and try to give you a sense of what it
23	might look like in the future. And I just want you to

be reassured that the photographs that we have chosen

24

- 1 for representative samples, as representative samples
- 2 of what it might look like, are just that. They're
- 3 representative samples. So, obviously, your input is
- 4 needed to make sure that we achieve the goals and the
- 5 objectives of the Town and all those involved.
- 6 The Project Purpose and Need. It's
- 7 very important that everyone understand that the major
- 8 purpose of this project is to upgrade the aging
- 9 infrastructure of Mass. Avenue. And what I mean by
- 10 that is we're going to do roadway resurfacing, not
- 11 reconstruction -- resurfacing. That's a cold plane,
- 12 or a grinding operation, if you will, and then an
- 13 overlay of the roadway. There will be some isolated
- 14 locations of full-depth, but only where we have
- 15 proposed neck-downs for crosswalks and any sidewalk
- 16 widening. But, for the most part, 95 percent of this
- 17 project or more, will be a roadway resurfacing project
- 18 with new pavement markings.
- 19 We're also going to reconstruct the
- 20 sidewalks as necessary. And what I mean by that is
- 21 that as part of a federally- and state-funded project,
- 22 we have to ensure that the sidewalk slopes meet ADA
- 23 requirements. And I know much of the sidewalk out
- 24 there does not. And, also, the ramps do not meet

- 1 current requirements, the wheelchair ramps.
- 2 Crosswalk enhancements will be part of
- 3 this project. As I mentioned, we'll be shortening I
- 4 think pretty much all 14 of the crosswalks that exist
- 5 on Mass. Avenue itself by virtue of neck-downs.
- 6 Bicycle and transit improvements will
- 7 be incorporated as well, bicycle accommodation.
- 8 Traffic signal improvements will be
- 9 made at all the signalized locations. And we're
- 10 proposing to signalize one further location as well at
- 11 Bates Road.
- 12 The traffic signals will have emergency
- 13 pre-emption. What I mean by that is that as an
- 14 emergency response vehicle approaches that signal in
- 15 the future, a person on the vehicle will have a
- 16 transmitter and he'll be able to control that signal
- 17 to give him priority so he can pass through the
- 18 intersection without fear of anybody running a light.
- 19 So, that will help with response time.
- 20 Street furnishings and landscaping,
- 21 obviously, are another major component of this
- 22 project: benches, pedestrian lighting, landscape
- 23 elements, widening of sidewalks as much as we can in
- 24 the downtown business district and so on.

- 1 And, finally, all of these things
- 2 combined we hope will create a safe environment for
- 3 the corridor and all of its users.
- 4 The Project Overview. It's obviously
- 5 on Mass. Ave., from Pond Lane, here, all the way to
- 6 the Cambridge city line. It's about one mile in
- 7 length. As Kim mentioned earlier, it is state- and
- 8 federally-funded.
- 9 When we talk about state- and
- 10 federally-funded projects, we are required by the
- 11 state as engineers and planners to make sure that our
- 12 transportation projects meet the accommodations of all
- 13 of its users -- we are required by state and federal
- 14 guidelines, guiding principles if you will, to make
- 15 sure that our transportation projects in the future
- 16 meet all of the accommodations for all of the corridor
- 17 users. And what I mean by all of its users, we're
- 18 talking about vehicles -- automobiles, trucks,
- 19 emergency response vehicles, motorcycles; pedestrians
- 20 obviously; bicyclists; and transit vehicles -- buses,
- 21 taxis, shuttles. MassDOT Project Development and
- 22 Design Guide states that the roadway system of the
- 23 Commonwealth should safely accommodate all users of
- 24 the public right of way. That's one of the

- 1 fundamental principles of this project.
- In addition the U.S. Policy Statement
- 3 On Bicycle And Pedestrian Accommodation states that
- 4 the DOT policy is to incorporate safe and convenient
- 5 walking and bicycling facilities into transportation
- 6 projects. It's no longer just vehicles; it's all
- 7 users. Transportation agencies are encouraged to go
- 8 beyond minimum standards to provide safe and
- 9 convenient facilities for these modes. It's very
- 10 consistent -- the DOT policy is very consistent with
- 11 the Complete Streets Policy of many communities across
- 12 the nation today, some of which are in Massachusetts,
- 13 but a number of them, obviously, in other parts of
- 14 this country.
- 15 The Mass. Ave. Project Goals. I think
- 16 we're all familiar with them. They exist on the
- 17 Town's website. We have recategorized those same
- 18 goals, those same fundamental goals, into the four
- 19 categories of users that I just defined.
- Vehicular improvements, we have three
- 21 major goals: maintain motorist mobility, create a
- 22 safe and more orderly traffic flow, and reduce through
- 23 traffic around local and neighborhood streets.
- In terms of pedestrian enhancements,

- 1 two of the goals that are listed on the website
- 2 indicate we are going to improve pedestrian safety and
- 3 mobility and enhance the streetscape.
- And, finally, bicycle accommodations:
- 5 We will improve cyclist safety and mobility, and, for
- 6 transit users, we will improve the environment for all
- 7 of the transit users of this corridor.
- 8 Vehicular mobility is our number one
- 9 guiding principle in terms of what I'm about to
- 10 present subsequent to this slide. We undertook a
- 11 traffic analysis. That was one of the first things we
- 12 did in this corridor was to look at the traffic flow
- 13 within the corridor. And we know that we have to
- 14 maintain vehicular mobility.
- 15 Traffic studies, not just ours that we
- 16 conducted over the last year-and-a-half to two years,
- 17 but studies over the last decade, have all concluded
- 18 that surplus pavement exists in the Mass. Ave.
- 19 corridor. What I mean by that is that you don't need
- 20 so much pavement out there to accommodate the future
- 21 traffic projections. And, with that, those traffic
- 22 projections, we've actually taken and utilized a
- 23 higher annual growth rate than what was given to us by
- 24 CTPS. So, we know we're being very conservative even

- 1 in that regard.
- 2 So, the real challenge here is that
- 3 once we know we have surplus pavement in the corridor,
- 4 the real challenge is what do you do with that surplus
- 5 pavement? How do you reallocate more appropriately
- 6 for all of the users of the Mass. Avenue corridor?
- 7 So, it's a reallocation process.
- 8 We looked at the addition of curb
- 9 extensions to make pedestrian crossings safer.
- 10 We looked at dedicated use of bicycle
- 11 lanes, or bicycle accommodation in general, and then
- 12 decided that having dedicated bicycle lanes was the
- 13 preferred method by MassDOT.
- 14 And, we looked at what kind of enhanced
- 15 pedestrian amenities can we achieve. Where can we
- 16 make sidewalks more enjoyable for people to use, for
- 17 people to visit?
- 18 Pedestrian Crossings. Again, we've
- 19 made the crossings shorter. There are 14 major
- 20 crossings of the corridor. All of them are shorter
- 21 than the existing crossings by about 30 to 40 percent.
- 22 That's a significant time savings in the crossing
- 23 itself. It's about an average of 10 seconds less to
- 24 cross the road. That may not sound like a lot, but

- 1 when you equate that to how much more green time you
- 2 can provide for people, for motor vehicles on Mass.
- 3 Ave., it actually equates out to be quite a bit.
- 4 There are significant operational advantages at Lake
- 5 Street and especially down at Route 16 because of
- 6 this.
- Now, let's talk about, again, the four
- 8 categories of users.
- 9 Vehicular Improvements. This is the
- 10 part of the presentation that I said that I would like
- 11 to try to get you to feel what it might look like in a
- 12 given location along the corridor as part of this
- 13 plan.
- 14 The photo on the upper left is a view
- 15 of Lake Street looking westbound. It's pretty wide
- 16 open, no markings, the signals need to be upgraded.
- 17 As part of this proposed plan, we're going to provide
- 18 an exclusive left turn lane from Mass. Avenue onto
- 19 Lake Street. We're going to provide new striping and
- 20 signage. And we'll provide channelizing devices in
- 21 the downtown area -- flush medians, raised medians
- 22 where we can, and basically make it more pedestrian
- 23 friendly. And we're going to improve the signal
- 24 operations and timing and phasings, which will enhance

- 1 the mobility of the traffic flow throughout the
- 2 corridor. That's what I talked about earlier about
- 3 vehicular mobility.
- 4 The picture that you see to the right
- 5 is just a representative example of what the
- 6 improvements might look like. It shows the left turn
- 7 storage lane at the intersection. It shows a single
- 8 lane westbound along Mass. Ave. And it also shows the
- 9 bicycle lane. So, it gives you a general feel for
- 10 what it might look like in the future.
- 11 At Linwood and Foster Street, we
- 12 propose to make geometric traffic calming measures,
- 13 basically slight adjustments at the intersection
- 14 itself to slow traffic down, especially turning
- 15 traffic; designating vehicle/bicycle travel with
- 16 pavement markings; providing consistent travel lane
- 17 widths throughout the corridor is very, extremely
- 18 important; and, finally, signal upgrades to include
- 19 emergency pre-emption and bicycle detection,
- 20 especially on Linwood Street which is a connection for
- 21 bicyclists to the Minuteman Bike Trail.
- So, again, the existing photo to the
- 23 upper left showing the lack of delineation on the
- 24 roadway itself, no markings, pretty much wide open.

- 1 And the picture on the upper right, which is looking
- 2 westbound, it kind of gives you a sense of what that
- 3 eastbound approach might look like to that
- 4 intersection. You have a parking lane, you have a
- 5 dedicated bike lane, and you have a travel lane with a
- 6 raised -- a raised median in this case, but at the
- 7 actual Linwood Street/Foster Street intersection we
- 8 have a flush median there.
- 9 At Bates Road and Marion Road, at this
- 10 location it is not signalized today. And our traffic
- 11 analysis shows that the intersection should actually
- 12 be signalized to improve safety and operations at this
- 13 location. There are many turning movements that go on
- 14 here. That photograph is just representative of one
- 15 particular situation where you have vehicles turning
- 16 from all directions at the same time. It's a very
- 17 unsafe condition. Sometimes vehicles get trapped in
- 18 the middle of the road when they're trying to make a
- 19 left onto Mass. Ave. as well.
- 20 So, we're proposing signals here. It
- 21 does warrant signals. The volumes are high enough to
- 22 warrant traffic signals at this location. And we
- 23 think it makes sense to make this intersection safer
- 24 for all its users.

- 1 Signal improvements will effectively
- 2 manage traffic along the corridor as well as along
- 3 Bates Road. And the new signal will improve safety,
- 4 as I mentioned.
- 5 Here you can see a representative
- 6 photograph. This is actually Summer Street in
- 7 Arlington. But it shows the new signal with the
- 8 emergency pre-emption on the signal. And, as I said,
- 9 those types of devices will be at every signalized
- 10 location.
- Now, with regards to pedestrian
- 12 enhancements, this is a view of Mass. Ave. at Teel
- 13 Street looking south. We will propose -- we are
- 14 proposing as part of the project, and what will be
- 15 representative at most intersections -- actually, all
- 16 intersections -- new ADA compliant sidewalks and
- 17 wheelchair ramps. Pedestrian signals will be upgraded
- 18 as well.
- 19 Again, this is -- oh, sorry -- this is
- 20 a representative photo of a project in Arlington here
- 21 at Summer Street. And you can see the new concrete
- 22 sidewalks, the new pedestrian wheelchair ramps with
- 23 the tactile warning pads for the signal, and, also,
- 24 new signals with emergency pre-emption.

- 1 Down at the bottom, we have a view of
- 2 Lafayette Street looking west. This is basically an
- 3 uncontrolled crosswalk at this location. And what I
- 4 mean by that is it's not signalized. And there are
- 5 many of these along the corridor. And what we do to
- 6 enhance the safety of both the pedestrians and the
- 7 driver is to provide neck-downs where we can to
- 8 improve visibility of the pedestrian in the crosswalk
- 9 and to make the crossings shorter. And that's what we
- 10 intend to do at seven of the 14 crossings that are in
- 11 the corridor. The other seven, as I said, are
- 12 signalized locations and will have pedestrian signals.
- Representative pedestrian enhancements,
- 14 what we can expect to see along the corridor. The
- 15 photograph to the left is a view looking westbound on
- 16 Mass. Ave. in the business district area. And the
- 17 photograph to the right is an example of what it might
- 18 look like when this project is complete.
- 19 We propose to add green space anywhere
- 20 we possibly can along the corridor. And, by that I
- 21 mean new trees as well as preserving existing trees.
- 22 We are only, I believe, removing one or two trees
- 23 because of reallocation of space for bus stops.
- 24 That's another important part of this project, and

- 1 I'll get into that in a little bit.
- We're adding street furniture outside
- 3 the main walking areas. And, again, this is primarily
- 4 between Orvis Road and Milton Street, adding benches,
- 5 trash receptacles, decorative paving, and bicycle
- 6 ramps, as well as the landscape improvements that you
- 7 see in the photograph.
- 8 Locate areas for seating and areas for
- 9 bus shelters, and we'll add pedestrian scale lighting
- 10 in the downtown area as well, all aimed at making it
- 11 more enjoyable and more inviting for the public.
- 12 In terms of bicycle accommodation, we
- 13 looked at both a shared use facility as well as a
- 14 dedicated bicycle lane facility along this corridor.
- 15 The shared use facility, within the portions of the
- 16 corridor where we're not making any curb line
- 17 adjustments, a safe shared use facility does not
- 18 physically fit within the Mass. Ave. corridor. And
- 19 what I mean by that is that right now there is
- 20 basically 25 feet of pavement on either side of the
- 21 center line plus an eight-foot parking stall. That 25
- 22 feet of pavement is not sufficient to provide safe
- 23 shared bicycle accommodation. And that's per the
- 24 MassDOT design, Policy Design Guide Book. We would

- 1 have to widen Mass. Avenue by about one to two feet on
- 2 each side in order to provide a safe shared use
- 3 facility. And that is assuming that, you know, it's
- 4 operating like it is today.
- 5 We have surplus pavement in the
- 6 corridor. So, rather than provide a shared use
- 7 facility with the number of proposed lanes that we're
- 8 recommending, we chose to provide dedicated bicycle
- 9 lanes because it's safer for everybody involved. It's
- 10 safer for the bicyclist because they know where to
- 11 ride; it's safer for the drivers because they're made
- 12 more aware of the fact that they're sharing the road
- 13 with bicycles and they have their own dedicated lanes
- 14 to be in. So, it provides an awareness of where
- 15 everybody is.
- 16 The view on the top, obviously, the top
- 17 left, is a view looking west, again, on Mass. Ave.
- 18 You can see what typically happens when you have
- 19 bicycles on a very wide stretch of pavement. A lot of
- 20 time vehicles will tend to drive staggered. They'll
- 21 shy away from driving side-by-side because they just
- 22 want to stay that much further away from the bicyclist
- 23 who wants to stay away from the parked vehicle.
- So, in the proposed, we had surplus

- 1 space. And with that surplus space we have dedicated
- 2 bike lanes. And that bike lane is actually five feet
- 3 in width. It's one foot wider because it is next to
- 4 parallel parking. And the parking accommodation that
- 5 we've chosen for this project is also very generous.
- 6 It's a 10-foot parking accommodation, but the parking
- 7 stall itself will still be designated as eight feet.
- 8 It will still be parked out at eight feet. So, we
- 9 have an additional two feet beyond the eight-foot
- 10 parking requirement and an additional foot in the bike
- 11 lane. That's an additional three feet typically you
- 12 don't see in most communities.
- So, in this particular instance, you
- 14 can see from the photograph on the top right that when
- 15 somebody opens the door it does not encroach into the
- 16 bike lane. It will not encroach into the bike zone.
- 17 There is one exception to this
- 18 location, or to that particular -- that particular
- 19 view. And that is within the downtown area, the
- 20 parking accommodation ranges between eight-and-a-half
- 21 to nine feet, not 10. And that was to provide
- 22 additional flush medians and pedestrian refuges,
- 23 refuge islands, at either end of the downtown area.
- 24 So, we have a little bit more encroachment into the

- 1 bike lane, but certainly much more -- it still meets
- 2 MassDOT requirements. MassDOT requirements is a five-
- 3 foot bicycle lane next to an eight-foot parking stall.
- 4 And we exceed that everywhere on this project.
- 5 And, finally, with regard to transit
- 6 use, as a part of this project we have taken the -- in
- 7 conjunction with comments we've received from prior
- 8 meetings, in conjunction with the Town officials, we
- 9 have come up with a plan where we think we've
- 10 optimized the location of bus stops. We've taken the
- 11 liberty to move the bus stops or crosswalks so that
- 12 those -- the bus stops are closer to the crosswalks
- 13 and vice versa.
- 14 Here you see a typical bus stop. This
- 15 is the first one you see when you're coming into
- 16 Arlington from Cambridge. And you can see the clutter
- 17 of debris here. You know, there's the bus stop sign.
- 18 There's the tree. There's the hydrant. And
- 19 somebody's supposed to get off the bus and get to the
- 20 sidewalk.
- 21 When this project is done, every single
- 22 bus stop that we reconstruct will be compliant with
- 23 the Federal Transit Authority's Transportation
- 24 Cooperation Research Report 19. What that means is

- 1 we're going to comply with FTA requirements in terms
- 2 of bus stop accommodation, bus stop zones.
- 3 And that's the graphic that you see
- 4 here. It's a 40-foot bus. And we'll actually provide
- 5 two locations where there will be lifts from the bus,
- 6 the front door as well as the rear door. So, those
- 7 areas will be clear of any type of streetscape
- 8 amenities, if you will.
- 9 The bus stop locations, as I said, are
- 10 integrated with the corresponding sidewalks. The bus
- 11 stops have been designed with improved signage and
- 12 striping. And the curb stop zone, as we call it,
- 13 which is the -- I'm sorry -- the bus stop zone, as we
- 14 call it, the 40-foot zone, it actually is a little bit
- 15 longer because you have an entering zone and an exit
- 16 zone for the bus driver to come in and exit as well.
- 17 So, that's another improvement we made on the
- 18 corridor.
- 19 A lot of times buses can't get into the
- 20 bus stop and they're sticking half out into the travel
- 21 lane. As part of this project that should not happen.
- 22 The bus stop zones are sufficiently long enough to
- 23 allow an entrance, a stop, and an exit, and they're
- 24 sufficiently long enough to accommodate that.

- 1 And, again, as I said, they'll be
- 2 designed and consistent with the Federal Transit
- 3 Authority's guidelines.
- 4 So, we have discussed the Mass. Ave
- 5 project goals. We've categorized these goals into the
- 6 various users of the corridor: vehicles, pedestrians,
- 7 bicyclists, and transit users. What happens when we
- 8 put all of this together? We get improved access to
- 9 the business area and we get an increase in business
- 10 patronage. Very, very significant -- a very, very
- 11 significant benefit of this project.
- 12 This is a view on the top left, I think
- 13 it's in front of Olivio's Restaurant. It's looking
- 14 west. And, at that location for instance, the
- 15 sidewalk is a mere nine feet. And that includes the
- 16 trees and the poles that exist there. In this
- 17 particular case, you see the fire alarm box. When our
- 18 project is done that sidewalk will be widened to 20
- 19 feet in width. And that's just a representative
- 20 example of what could happen at that location.
- 21 (Crowd reaction.)
- 22 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Hey! Hey!
- 23 Hey! Uh-uh. Uh-uh. Please. There are too many
- 24 people here tonight for this. The more we have this

- 1 kind of yelling -- please. I know you oppose it. But
- 2 then what we really don't want to have is a shouting
- 3 match. This is a time to listen and listen to each
- 4 other. Please do not shut this hearing down by this
- 5 kind of yelling.
- 6 Thank you.
- 7 RICHARD AZZALINA: Again, I want to
- 8 emphasize again, and I tried to emphasize it before I
- 9 started, I'm not trying to say that that photograph in
- 10 the top right, you know, looks like Mass. Ave. or
- 11 should be Mass. Ave. Mass. Ave. has to have its own
- 12 character with your input. It's just a sample of what
- 13 it could potentially look like in the future if we all
- 14 put our minds together and make it work.
- 15 In addition to the wider sidewalks in
- 16 the downtown area specifically, we do have parking
- 17 improvements along the corridor. In terms of -- we
- 18 did a parking inventory. There are no lost legal
- 19 spaces anywhere long the corridor. We have the same
- 20 number of legal parking spaces, basically 206, along
- 21 the entire corridor. However, we do have, obviously,
- 22 pluses and minuses as we go up and down the corridor
- 23 because, as I said, we moved bus stop locations, we
- 24 moved crosswalks, and, in some instances, parking

- 1 spaces had to be sacrificed. They were lost in some
- 2 places, created in others. So, ultimately, the long
- 3 and short of it is is that there's no net loss of
- 4 parking along the entire corridor; there is a net
- 5 gain, however, of 14 spaces within the business
- 6 district itself, between Orvis Road and Milton Street.
- 7 I just want to make that clear.
- 8 And, with that, I guess I'll open it up
- 9 to --
- 10 MODERATOR SLOAN: Can I say a few more
- 11 words?
- 12 RICHARD AZZALINA: Um hum.
- MODERATOR SLOAN: Thank you, Rick.
- I just want to mention that the plans
- 15 presented to you this evening are not complete. The
- 16 next step will be to review any comments received this
- 17 evening, then amend and complete the plans for
- 18 advertising and eventual construction.
- 19 The purpose of this hearing is to
- 20 solicit your input regarding this project. As the
- 21 plans are not yet complete, we may not be able to
- 22 answer all of your questions this evening.
- Next, I'd like to invite Clarissa Rowe,
- 24 Chair of the Board of Selectmen. She will be handling

- 1 the next part of the program, which is the question
- 2 and answer part.
- Thank you.
- 4 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 5 Thank you, Kim.
- 6 What MassDOT likes to do at the moment,
- 7 at this next moment, is get the public officials to
- 8 speak to you briefly. The Board of Selectmen has
- 9 decided not to speak so that we can have more time for
- 10 you all to speak. But, Senator Donnelly, and then I
- 11 believe Representative Brownsberger, would both like
- 12 to have a brief word.
- SENATOR KENNETH DONNELLY: Thank you,
- 14 Chairman Rowe. And, we are here, both -- I'm Senator
- 15 Donnelly. Representative Brownsberger is with me. I
- 16 know that Representative Kaufman also had -- he had
- 17 something to do tonight. And I think Representative
- 18 Garballey had a conflict and he's trying to get here.
- 19 We are here to listen. We want to hear
- 20 the input. We want to hear what the residents and the
- 21 citizens, what they have to say.
- 22 And, we did draft a letter to write a
- 23 letter to Secretary Mullan. As your elected
- 24 officials, we have a responsibility to support the

- 1 Town in whatever they choose.
- 2 "The Arlington Board of Selectmen
- 3 recently submitted a proposal to invest in
- 4 infrastructure improvements along Massachusetts Ave.
- 5 to improve public safety and encourage economic
- 6 development in the Town of Arlington. The
- 7 neighborhoods abutting Mass. Ave. are experiencing a
- 8 period of unprecedented population growth and
- 9 development. This wave of growth has added to the
- 10 traffic congestion along Mass. Ave. and subsequently
- 11 made the area more dangerous for pedestrians and
- 12 cyclists. The project would increase the number of
- 13 crosswalks in high traffic areas and add curb
- 14 extensions, bumpouts to decrease the crossing distance
- 15 and time a pedestrian spends in the road. It would
- 16 also modernize traffic signals, replace signage,
- 17 improve overhead lighting, and improve bicycle
- 18 traffic.
- 19 There have been, and continue to be,
- 20 many public meetings about the project. And while
- 21 there is certainly not 100 percent support for it, we
- 22 are encouraged by the Board's commitment to continuing
- 23 this dialogue.
- We appreciate your consideration of the

- 1 Arlington Board of Selectmen's proposal and are
- 2 available to answer questions and discuss the project
- 3 with you and your staff.
- 4 Sincerely, Senator Donnelly,
- 5 Representative Brownsberger, and Representative
- 6 Garballey, and Representative Kaufman."
- 7 So, we're here to listen tonight and
- 8 we're here to get input and support the choice of the
- 9 Town of Arlington.
- 10 Thank you.
- 11 (Applause.)
- 12 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you,
- 13 Ken, and thank you, Will, for being here to listen.
- 14 We're also here to listen.
- 15 I'm really proud of this Town. This is
- 16 wonderful attendance. And I really thank you all,
- 17 whether you're for or against it, for being here
- 18 tonight. It really -- this is a tremendous community.
- 19 We're very strong-minded.
- The most important thing tonight, we
- 21 don't have that much time. Kim and I thought we would
- 22 be done by 10:00. Some of you know that we handed out
- 23 300 cards, yellow cards, in a random fashion. We will
- 24 stay until everybody has spoken that wants to speak.

- 1 It may be next Tuesday -- no, not really. But I ask
- 2 you, please, please, don't clap, don't hiss,
- 3 don't boo. Most importantly, come up, say your name,
- 4 spell your name for that nice stenographer over there
- 5 because he can't hear everything. Please give us your
- 6 address and give us the town that you live in, whether
- 7 it's Arlington or not. It's very important we have
- 8 this for the record.
- 9 So, with that, I would like to ask Card
- 10 Number 1 to please come up and speak. If you have the
- 11 low numbers, please start lining up. There may be
- 12 gaps, although I think we probably have more than 300
- 13 people here, which is great. So, would Speaker Number
- 14 1 come up?
- 15 SELECTMAN DAN DUNN: You forgot to say
- 16 how long they have.
- 17 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Oh, I'm
- 18 sorry. Thank you, Dan.
- 19 You have three minutes to speak. And I
- 20 believe there's a timekeeper.
- JOEY GLUSHKO: Right here.
- 22 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Joey Glushko
- 23 has a yellow card and she will raise it when you have
- 24 30 seconds to go. And then when you're done she'll

- 1 put the red up. Thank you so much.
- 2 And I forgot to introduce Carol
- 3 Kowalski, Laura Wiener, and Joey Glushko of our
- 4 Planning staff who put this together. This is a new
- 5 method of public participation. We knew from the old
- 6 -- from the other public meetings that people got
- 7 tired of standing. So, we're going to try this, see
- 8 how it works. So, bet patient as we try to work it
- 9 out.
- 10 Would Speaker Number 1 please come up?
- (No response.)
- 12 Speaker Number 2? Oh, they're coming
- 13 down the stairs. Okay. Would Speaker Number 3, 4,
- 14 and 5 get ready? Okay.
- 15 AUDIENCE: Where are those yellow cards
- 16 available?
- 17 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: The yellow
- 18 cards were at the front door.
- 19 There are more seats upstairs if
- 20 anybody wants to sit down. There's an elevator on the
- 21 right hand side.
- 22 All right. Four, why don't you come up
- 23 first?
- 24 MELINDA DREW: Can you hear me?

1	SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Yes.
2	MELINDA DREW: My name is Melinda Drew.
3	I live at 18 Grafton Street in Arlington. I came with
4	one comment, but after listening to this plan I now
5	have two.
6	First of all, in your Frequently Asked
7	Questions, number two, you say there are three studies
8	that show that corridor the lanes will be
9	sufficient to carry the traffic. If you've ever been
10	out on Mass. Ave. during rush hour in the morning,
11	which I do every single morning, and rush hour at
12	night, you have to know that that's not true. That's
13	complete nonsense. There is no way that you will
14	sufficiently carry the traffic. You may be talking
15	about traffic at times other than rush hour, but it's
16	certainly not going to work in rush hour.
17	Secondly, all of these new spaces
18	you're adding are primarily on my street, I discovered
19	tonight. So that's my second comment. I have a
20	problem with that. And I think that the neighbors
21	should have been notified of that.
22	Thank you.
23	(Applause.)
24	SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Please hold

- 1 your applause.
- Why, Lyman, you got number two somehow.
- 3 Very good work.
- 4 Now, would people like an answer or
- 5 would they like just to have the comments come?
- 6 AUDIENCE: Just the comments.
- 7 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Okay. Just
- 8 the comments. All right.
- 9 (Opposition from audience.)
- 10 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Okay. I will
- 11 ask Rick to answer in 30 seconds.
- 12 RICHARD AZZALINA: Okay. Basically,
- 13 the answer to your first comment about the operations
- 14 that will not be satisfied, you have to remember that
- 15 the existing traffic signals are not operating very
- 16 efficiently today. Okay? That's number one.
- Number two, the pedestrian crossings
- 18 are much longer than they will be in the future. So
- 19 that takes up more time. All of the time savings that
- 20 we achieve by shorter crossings and improved
- 21 operations at the signalized intersections will help
- 22 to keep traffic moving. Everything points to that
- 23 direction.
- With regard to the parking, we have a

- 1 net gain of one space on Grafton Street. We did take
- 2 Grafton Street into account. There is one space
- 3 gained by the angled parking. That's it.
- 4 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you,
- 5 Rick.
- 6 Lyman?
- 7 LYMAN G. JUDD, JR.: Lyman G. Judd,
- 8 Jr., J-U-D-D, first name, L-Y-M-A-N, lifelong resident
- 9 of Arlington. I now reside at Winslow Towers, 4
- 10 Winslow Street, apartment 710. I'm a lifelong
- 11 resident.
- 12 My comments I hope will be listened to.
- 13 Every time I hear the word "traffic calming" I think
- 14 of traffic jamming. It's very rare that you can take
- 15 something from a 10-pound bag and put it in a five-
- 16 pound bag without having some kind of a shall we say
- 17 overflow. And, unfortunately, I think I can give you
- 18 a very good example. Look at Mystic Valley Parkway in
- 19 Medford from the U-Haul place all the way over.
- 20 That's traffic calming, meaning you're backed up all
- 21 the way to the last traffic light. And we'll have the
- 22 same thing here.
- 23 Also, Central Square, Cambridge, if you
- 24 go from the middle of Central Square, Prospect Street

- 1 and Massachusetts Avenue, and go east to the fire
- 2 station, you have exactly the same setup as what is
- 3 proposed for here. I don't think it's going to be
- 4 successful. I would love to be proven wrong, but I
- 5 don't think so.
- 6 As far as bumpouts -- by the way, one
- 7 of the problems with Massachusetts Avenue is speed.
- 8 Unfortunately, we have a skeleton crew for a police
- 9 department and enforcement is spotty. And if we have
- 10 any further reductions of the police department, I
- 11 don't know what we'll do. Maybe we'll have to get
- 12 people out there with paintballs.
- I can give you a problem there. This
- 14 happened to me just last night. I was driving along
- 15 Massachusetts Avenue heading east. I just left Stop &
- 16 Shop. I was in the left-hand lane. Somebody decided
- 17 to go faster and pass me on the right side and ran
- 18 over the bumpout which is opposite to the brand new
- 19 CVS, and almost threw him back into my lane. I
- 20 mention that these things should be carefully marked,
- 21 reflectorized, and everything else to prevent people
- 22 from running into them accidentally and also for snow
- 23 plowing.
- 24 Central Square, as I said, okay, Mystic

- 1 Street, Mass. Avenue, Pleasant, there's another case
- 2 of traffic engineering gone wrong. I live and look
- 3 right down on that and I see a lot of times a traffic
- 4 jam coming up where you try to narrow down to one lane
- 5 from three. It doesn't work too well. Plus, the
- 6 signal system there is unbelievable.
- 7 However, people have proposed a test
- 8 run. I would hope that maybe that could be done. If
- 9 not, I would just say that if the powers that be are
- 10 set on having this done and accomplished, I would like
- 11 to know, seeing as we're going to spend \$5.8 million
- 12 on it, has anybody done an estimate of how much it
- 13 will cost to restore Massachusetts Avenue to its
- 14 original configuration.
- 15 (Applause.)
- 16 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Okay. Hold
- 17 the applause.
- 18 Lyman, you've got to finish up, please.
- 19 LYMAN G. JUDD, JR.: Very quickly, as I
- 20 say --
- 21 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Lyman.
- 22 Lyman, please, we've got a lot of people behind you.
- 23 Thank you.
- 24 LYMAN G. JUDD, JR.: Thank you. By the

- 1 way, federal, state, and local --
- 2 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 3 Mr. Berger.
- 4 (Applause.)
- 5 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Come on.
- 6 Please. I know he's your hero but we've got a lot of
- 7 people to hear.
- 8 ERIC BERGER: My name is Eric Berger,
- 9 E-R-I-C, B-E-R-G-E-R. I live at 18 Hamilton Road in
- 10 Arlington.
- I first heard about this project in
- 12 February of 2009. It made no sense. I thought how
- 13 will removing two travel lanes on Mass. Ave. improve
- 14 public safety and reduce congestion? And I came to
- 15 the conclusion that it won't. Removing those lanes
- 16 undermines public safety and increases congestion.
- 17 It's obvious. From then on, I've dedicated much time,
- 18 effort, and money to call attention to the
- 19 disastrously unsafe side effects of this project.
- 20 First, I joined the East Arlington
- 21 Concerned Citizens Committee. Now, Town officials
- 22 have brushed us off, dismissing us as a small group of
- 23 misinformed citizens. You'll learn tonight, our group
- 24 is neither small nor misinformed.

- I also retained a legal team. One
- 2 member, Attorney Rossi, is here tonight. He's going
- 3 to tell you that there's compelling evidence that the
- 4 Town officials have engaged in a dishonest campaign to
- 5 justify the use of nearly \$6 million in public highway
- 6 safety funds on this project.
- 7 Let me be clear. This project is not
- 8 about safety. Mass. Ave. is safer than comparable
- 9 roadways. And there is no evidence, nothing, that
- 10 accidents or injuries are on the rise.
- I also retained a civil engineer, Dana
- 12 Lynch. He's here tonight. He's going to tell you he
- 13 reviewed the Town's plan and the proposed redesign
- 14 raises a number of serious concerns, including an
- 15 increase in cut through traffic as well as emergency
- 16 response times.
- 17 The four existing travel lanes that are
- 18 out there now serve many thousands of motorists and
- 19 transit bus riders who make tens of thousands of trips
- 20 daily down and up Mass. Ave. To remove two travel
- 21 lanes, one for a mile and one for a third of a mile,
- 22 to make room for two bike lanes used by several dozen
- 23 advanced level cyclists, bike lanes that will die
- 24 after one month and lie very near the Minuteman Bike

- 1 Lane, is the epitome of a government taken over by the
- 2 special interests of few.
- 3 (Applause.)
- 4 ERIC BERGER: If these travel lanes are
- 5 removed for the special interests of a few, all of
- 6 Arlington is going to suffer.
- 7 You'll receive tonight powerful
- 8 evidence of the widespread opposition to the removal
- 9 of these travel lanes. Petitions opposing their
- 10 removal signed by over 2,500 residents, I brought them
- 11 to give them to you. And if our Committee extends its
- 12 petition drive across Arlington going door-to-door,
- 13 we'll submit many thousands more to you. And, believe
- 14 me, we're ready to do this.
- 15 You're going to also receive tonight a
- 16 letter from the business community. Eighty-one, 74
- 17 percent of the businesses located on the corridor,
- 18 oppose this plan.
- 19 Is there room for compromise so
- 20 Arlington can receive funding for worthwhile items in
- 21 this plan? Yes.
- 22 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Mr. Burger,
- 23 thank you.
- 24 ERIC BERGER: Yes, there is. But you'd

- 1 have to keep the four lanes.
- 2 (Applause.)
- 3 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Please. Hey,
- 4 please. Please, hold your applause. Thank you.
- 5 Next? Come on up. Go ahead.
- 6 JENNIFER GRIFFITH: I'm Jennifer
- 7 Griffith. I live on Edith Street here in East
- 8 Arlington. I've been living in Arlington for over 20
- 9 years. And I'm a huge supporter of this project.
- 10 (Applause.)
- 11 JENNIFER GRIFFITH: I'm in support for
- 12 many, many, many reasons. But I also want to just let
- 13 you know I think the petition that they are
- 14 mentioning, people were not informed of the plan.
- 15 There was a lot of rhetoric that went around. And I
- 16 think that some of those signatures may be not
- 17 informed. So I would say that for maybe not all of
- 18 them, but some of them.
- 19 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Let's try to
- 20 keep our comments not personal.
- JENNIFER GRIFFITH: Okay.
- 22 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- JENNIFER GRIFFITH: So, with the
- 24 project, pedestrian safety needs to be foremost.

- 1 However, I do also drive a car. And I drive into
- 2 Cambridge in the morning. And I do know that traffic
- 3 flow is totally related to -- and the backups are
- 4 related to the traffic lights. So, I'm encouraged to
- 5 hear that the traffic lights with the efficiency and
- 6 all will be improved. I have no doubt that removing
- 7 one lane cutting into the center is not going to
- 8 affect flow negative. The project cannot work magic
- 9 in terms of helping traffic significantly, but I don't
- 10 believe at all that it's going to make it worse. And
- 11 I think pedestrian has got to be the foremost
- 12 improvement here, as well as making the area look much
- 13 nicer.
- 14 And I just want to say to people that
- 15 think they're opposed to the project is what is the
- 16 alternative, that we're going to just let the area
- 17 deteriorate further? That's not going to be in the
- 18 best interest of businesses. And, also, that we are
- 19 going to end up having to spend Arlington town funds
- 20 to make improvements to the area or to even just put
- 21 new traffic lights in and that sort of thing if we
- 22 don't have this project go forward. And the project
- 23 is not going to go forward without the components that
- 24 are in it.

- 1 And, lastly, a lot of people will say
- 2 that bicyclists should be on the Minuteman Bike Trail
- 3 only, but that's just not feasible. People are on
- 4 Mass. Ave. because they're not going where the bike
- 5 trail goes. And, also, there are so many other
- 6 community users on the bike trail, people pushing
- 7 strollers, older people walking together. When I'm on
- 8 the bike path, there's people walking dogs. It's just
- 9 not appropriate for high-speed bicycle commuters to be
- 10 on that path. They belong where they are, which is on
- 11 Mass. Ave. So, make that safer.
- 12 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 13 (Applause.)
- 14 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Please hold
- 15 your applause.
- 16 RICHARD FRAIMAN: Hi. My name is
- 17 Richard Fraiman. I grew up in Belmont. I live in
- 18 Lincoln. We own and operate --
- 19 STENOGRAPHER: Spell your name,
- 20 Richard, your last name.
- 21 RICHARD FRAIMAN: It's spelled F-R-A-I-
- M-A-N.
- We own and operate the Capitol Theatre,
- 24 which has been continually operating for 90 years,

- 1 almost 90 years, and is probably the most visible
- 2 business in East Arlington. And, of course, this
- 3 project will have a tremendous impact on the Capitol
- 4 Theatre and the businesses.
- 5 First of all, I wanted to thank
- 6 everybody who has invested so much time and effort in
- 7 producing this plan. That would include the Arlington
- 8 Planning, Engineering, Selectmen, Traffic, and the
- 9 Department of Transportation. And I think that the
- 10 access to the public to give its input into the plan
- 11 has been tremendous, unprecedented.
- We see the amenities from this plan as
- 13 a tremendous plus -- the repaving, the safe sidewalk,
- 14 the safe pedestrian crossings for the first time ever,
- 15 new controlled traffic lights, dedicated turning
- 16 lanes, and wider sidewalks, not to mention trees and
- 17 sidewalk furnishings.
- 18 All of us in the East Arlington
- 19 business community strive for producing, presenting,
- 20 and offering good products, good services to our
- 21 customers. We are all very concerned about the
- 22 disruption and the negative impact that a project such
- 23 as this will have on our businesses. But, of course,
- 24 there is no perfect plan. And to throw out the good

- 1 to achieve the perfect is silly.
- We feel that the plan should be
- 3 measured by the standard what does the greatest
- 4 possible good for the greatest number of people in the
- 5 community. And we have come to the conclusion that
- 6 this plan definitely accomplishes that.
- 7 So, we look forward to seeing the
- 8 project being completed for a safer and a more
- 9 attractive East Arlington and Mass. Avenue.
- 10 Thank you very much.
- 11 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 12 (Applause.)
- 13 PAUL HUTCHINS: Good evening. Paul
- 14 Hutchins, H-U-T-C-H-I-N-S.
- 15 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Could you say
- 16 your address?
- 17 PAUL HUTCHINS: I'm the owner of the
- 18 Rogers and Hutchins Funeral Home. We just opened at
- 19 292 Mass. Ave.
- 20 AUDIENCE: We can't hear you.
- 21 PAUL HUTCHINS: We strongly oppose
- 22 this. We feel it's going to be a major impediment to
- 23 our business.
- I grew up here in Arlington, in East

- 1 Arlington, on Amsden Street. And I've got to tell
- 2 you, many times leaving my house on Amsden Street
- 3 going to Cambridge where I used to work, I would sit
- 4 at Thorndike Street through many cycles of the light
- 5 trying to get on.
- 6 I believe that East Arlington does need
- 7 a facelift, but I think narrowing it down from four
- 8 lanes to two is not going to be good.
- 9 Thank you very much.
- 10 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 11 Thank you very much.
- 12 (Applause.)
- 13 ALEX BILSKY: My name is Alex Bilsky, B
- 14 as in Boy, I-L-S-K-Y. I live at 47 Amsden Street in
- 15 Arlington.
- 16 I am here tonight to voice my strong
- 17 support for the plan. I live, as I said, on Amsden
- 18 Street, with my wife and my two small children. And
- 19 I'm strongly in favor of improvements to Mass. Ave. to
- 20 make it safer for pedestrians, cyclists, and
- 21 motorists, especially pedestrians.
- I cross Mass. Ave. every morning, every
- 23 school day. I walk with my daughter to school. And
- 24 the scariest part of it every morning is walking

- 1 through that crosswalk in front of Trinity Baptist
- 2 over toward Barton Street. I've got white knuckles
- 3 every morning with her doing that. We've been lucky
- 4 so far. I hope it stays that way. But I think these
- 5 improvements that are represented would be great for
- 6 that crosswalk and all the other crosswalks mentioned.
- 7 Of course, flow for motorists is
- 8 important. As was presented, we'd still have two
- 9 lanes eastbound for the flow of the traffic going into
- 10 Arlington. There's only one lane being removed, which
- 11 is the westbound lane, where there's much less traffic
- 12 going to Arlington Center.
- I'm a motorist. I drive to work every
- 14 morning. That's how I get to work. So that's
- important to me to be able to get through to work.
- 16 And I drive during rush hour.
- So, it's even more important to make
- 18 sure -- well, they're both important. They're both
- 19 going to happen. But we need to have those
- 20 improvements for safety for bicyclists and pedestrians
- 21 as well. I'm glad those are in the plan.
- 22 I also wanted to say that my family, we
- 23 moved to Arlington because we wanted to live in a
- 24 walkable community and a safe community. And I think

- 1 that's what this plan does. It makes it more walkable
- 2 and more safe. I grew up down South in a town, a city
- 3 that was not walkable. You could drive your car very
- 4 fast anywhere you wanted to go, but there really
- 5 wasn't anywhere worth driving. Arlington has lots of
- 6 great places, lots of great places to walk to. And I
- 7 think this plan will make it even more like that.
- 8 So, I hope the plan goes forward in a
- 9 form very similar to the one presented.
- 10 Thank you.
- 11 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you for
- 12 your comments.
- 13 (Applause.)
- JOHN DUNN: Hello. My name is John
- 15 Dunn, D-U-N-N. I live at 36 Aerial Street in
- 16 Arlington.
- 17 I'd like to take this opportunity to
- 18 thank you for giving me a chance to speak on this
- 19 project. I have owned and operated Arlington Vision
- 20 Center and done so for the past 27 years.
- 21 I would like to start by stating that
- 22 as a business owner I would like to see as many
- 23 bicyclists, pedestrians, and cars as possible to pass
- 24 by my door. My opinion is that if you take away two

- 1 travel lanes from Mass. Avenue for a one-mile stretch
- 2 in one part and a third of a mile in another part, I
- 3 believe it will increase traffic congestion, longer
- 4 commuting times, more difficulty parking, and more cut
- 5 through traffic in our surrounding residential
- 6 neighborhoods.
- 7 I was also one of 81 business owners to
- 8 sign a letter stating our opposition to the reduction
- 9 in the travel lanes, which is approximately 74 percent
- 10 of the businesses along this section of Mass. Avenue.
- 11 I do have this letter that is signed, ready to present
- 12 to you to become part of the record.
- I would also like everyone to recall
- 14 March 15 and 16 of 2010 when Fresh Pond was flooded
- 15 and how we had the opportunity and how critical it was
- 16 to have four lanes on Mass. Avenue to accommodate the
- 17 diverted traffic, enabling people to get home and to
- 18 work. Keeping in mind the global warming, this could
- 19 be a real scenario and what would we do if we had
- 20 fewer travel lanes available to accommodate this
- 21 traffic.
- I appreciate you considering my
- 23 thoughts in regard to this project.
- 24 Thank you.

- 1 (Applause.)
- 2 JEFF MAXTUTIS: Hi. My name is Jeff
- 3 Maxtutis, M-A-X-T-U-T-I-S. I live at 176 Wavereley
- 4 Street in Arlington. I'm a transportation
- 5 professional. I'm also co-chair of the Arlington
- 6 Transportation Advisory Committee.
- 7 I want to thank MassDOT, the Town of
- 8 Arlington staff and selectmen, and MassDOT consultants
- 9 for being here tonight.
- 10 All professionals who have reviewed
- 11 this project agree that four lanes are not required
- 12 for the corridor to accommodate future traffic
- 13 volumes. The project will provide more orderly, safe
- 14 traffic flow along the corridor. Signalized
- 15 intersections control the corridor flow. The existing
- 16 signal equipment is antiquated and must be updated.
- 17 New equipment and turning lanes will be provided at
- 18 each signalized intersection. Because of these
- 19 improvements, each intersection will operate at
- 20 improved level of service and lower delay than it does
- 21 today. The project is complying with MassDOT policy
- 22 requiring that all travel modes be address. Most
- 23 importantly, the project will improve safety for all
- 24 users.

1	For these reasons, I strongly support	
2	the project.	
3	Thank you.	
4	SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.	
5	(Applause.)	
6	ED TREMBLY: Hi. My name is Ed Trembly.	
7	I live at 76 Wade Street.	
8	SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Could you	
9	spell your last name, Ed?	
10	ED TREMBLY: T-R-E-M-B-L-Y. The	
11	gentleman from Fay Spofford mentioned that they were	
12	going to have decorative pavement on the sidewalks.	
13	Could somebody explain exactly what that means?	
14	RICHARD AZZALINA: Basically, it's	
15	different types of material, not just concrete.	
16	AUDIENCE: We can't hear you.	
17	RICHARD AZZALINA: The question was	
18	explain what decorative pavement is. Again, the	
19	decorative pavement that we're proposing as part of	
20	this project would be confined to the area basically	
21	between Orvis Road and Milton Street, which outlines	
22	the downtown business area.	
23	ED TREMBLY: Are we talking brick?	
24	RICHARD AZZALINA: Pardon me?	

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- 2 RICHARD AZZALINA: No. Brick is not
- 3 really considered an accessible surface, but some type
- 4 of different types of materials, stamped concrete, for
- 5 instance, colorized concrete, things of that nature.
- 6 And, you know, we consider brick if it was in a non-
- 7 accessible portion of the sidewalk. But --
- 8 ED TREMBLY: I would submit to you that
- 9 even stamped concrete is a little difficult to shovel.
- 10 It tends to catch the shovels. And you may not want -
- 11 especially if you're talking 20-foot-wide sidewalks
- 12 -- you may not want to think about that because it
- isn't going to get shoveled 20-feet-wide.
- 14 RICHARD AZZALINA: Right. I think, for
- 15 the most part, it might be some type of decorative
- 16 paver. That's a possibility.
- 17 ED TREMBLY: That doesn't sound to
- 18 promising either to somebody who has to shovel.
- 19 The 20-foot-wide sidewalks that you're
- 20 talking about, are you going to make them accessible
- 21 to pickup trucks so they can at least be plowed?
- 22 Nobody wants to shovel a 20-foot-wide sidewalk. I'm
- 23 pretty sure of that.
- 24 RICHARD AZZALINA: Yeah, that happened

- 1 to be -- that particular location, okay, that's the
- 2 maximum width sidewalk that we were able to achieve at
- 3 that location. For most sidewalks within the downtown
- 4 business district where the widening does take place,
- 5 we're talking basically an additional four to six feet
- 6 of width.
- 7 ED TREMBLY: So the sidewalks are what,
- 8 nine feet, 10 feet?
- 9 RICHARD AZZALINA: You're nine-and-a-
- 10 half to 10-foot sidewalk would go to 14 to 16 feet,
- 11 pretty much comparable to the rest of the corridor.
- 12 ED TREMBLY: Okay. So, I will ask that
- 13 question again. Are you going to make that accessible
- 14 to pickup trucks so they can plow the sidewalk?
- 15 RICHARD AZZALINA: Well, I guess
- 16 sidewalk bobcats, whatever the Town uses for sidewalks
- 17 now.
- 18 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Okay. Let's
- 19 not go there.
- 20 ED TREMBLY: All right. You've got the
- 21 traffic lights planned on a couple of these
- 22 intersections. I forget the street names, but one of
- 23 them goes down to Spy Pond and the other one goes over
- 24 to Mystic Valley Parkway. There's two intersections

- 1 that are kind of close to each other. Now, I got
- 2 promised when you guys were doing -- from MassHighway
- 3 were doing Summer Street that the lights were going to
- 4 be timed to each other. They aren't and it screws up
- 5 traffic. So I would strongly suggest that you time
- 6 the traffic lights to each other.
- Now, I do have a comment on funding.
- 8 It's always bothered me that every public entity
- 9 expects somebody else to pay the bill. So, we're
- 10 going to get \$2.5 million from the state of
- 11 Massachusetts --
- 12 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Ed.
- ED TREMBLY: -- that's got \$2 billion
- 14 in debt, and \$2.5 million from the federal government
- 15 that's \$14 trillion in debt. This doesn't sound like
- 16 a good idea.
- 17 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Ed. Thank
- 18 you.
- 19 (Applause.)
- 20 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: You're
- 21 cutting down on people's time to speak. Please.
- 22 MARIA ROMANO: Maria Romano, 25 Bates
- 23 Road, R-O-M-A-N-O.
- I'm going to read the letter that I

- 1 want to give you.
- 2 "My name is Maria Romano and I am
- 3 speaking as an Arlington resident.
- 4 We asked FST and Arlington's Planning
- 5 Board on many occasions in the past two years to set
- 6 up a mock assembly of the proposed plan. They said it
- 7 could not be done. We wanted it done to either prove
- 8 or disprove the Town's proposed plan and be certain
- 9 that all the elements of their design were given a
- 10 trial run.
- 11 Well, as it happened, Mother Nature did
- 12 that mock assembly for us this past winter, thus
- 13 reducing Mass. Ave. to one lane in either direction.
- 14 The tremendous amount of snow that fell created a
- 15 scenario in which FST, the Planning Department, the
- 16 Board of Selectmen, and MassDOT could clearly see the
- 17 negative effect of narrowing Mass. Ave. in that one
- 18 mile of our very, very busy corridor.
- 19 You see, it defies common sense to
- 20 ignore how businesses were negatively affected.
- 21 Commute times, in most cases, doubled each way. Side
- 22 traffic impact was horrendous. Emergency response
- 23 time would most certainly be affected negatively
- 24 because Mass. Ave. was literally a parking lot of cars

- 1 and buses and trucks on those one lanes. Deliveries
- 2 to any of the stores became not only a nightmare, but
- 3 caused a safety hazard because trucks were parked on
- 4 that one lane in that one mile of Mass. Ave. Thank
- 5 you, Mother Nature.
- 6 So, let's sum it up. If your plan goes
- 7 through as written, which is to remove two travel
- 8 lanes, then all of the serious concerns of the
- 9 thousands of Arlington residents and a good majority
- 10 of businesses will become a reality, crippling
- 11 congestion, reduced emergency response time, delivery
- 12 trucks stopped in the middle of the road to make
- 13 deliveries because there are no rear delivery
- 14 locations, businesses suffering from lack of flowing
- 15 customers, increase of air and noise pollution,
- 16 increase of side street traffic, loss of overall
- 17 productivity in the most active and vibrant part of
- 18 Arlington.
- 19 Remember, we want Mass. Ave. fixed. We
- 20 wanted it brought up to the 21st century. We want it
- 21 safe. And we want your money. But, due diligence
- 22 must be performed so that the various groups,
- 23 businesses, residents, and bike enthusiasts have all
- 24 their comments and concerned reviewed thoroughly and

- 1 objectively. This has always been a concern of all of
- 2 our longtime residents and business owners. Let's get
- 3 it right. Please get it right."
- 4 Thank you.
- 5 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 6 (Applause.)
- 7 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Please.
- 8 Please. Please. This is not fair to the
- 9 speakers. Thank you.
- 10 DANA LYNCH: Good evening. My name is
- 11 Dana Lynch. My address -- the last name is spelled L-
- 12 Y-N-C-H. My address is 36 Cardinal Drive, Dover, New
- 13 Hampshire. I'm here this evening on behalf of Mr.
- 14 Berger, who has retained me to speak concerning
- 15 engineering issues.
- 16 While I am very sympathetic of the
- 17 engineers' difficulties in putting together something
- 18 that meets everyone's needs, I think there are a few
- 19 points here that need to be brought to everyone's
- 20 attention.
- 21 The analysis performed under the select
- 22 three-lane configuration indicates modest increases in
- 23 many of the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile queue lengths and
- 24 signalized intersections, and significant increases in

- 1 the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues, as it clearly depicted on
- 2 several of the report graphics. Peak westbound 95<sup>th</sup>
- 3 percentile queues are 689 feet at Foster Street, 476
- 4 feet at Bates Road, 681 feet at Lake Street, and 755
- 5 feet, almost all the way to Alewife Parkway, at Teel
- 6 Street, under the 2008 -- excuse me -- 2018 build
- 7 scenario. The queues are expected to be generally 7
- 8 percent longer at most of those intersections in 2028.
- 9 The point of making -- of letting you
- 10 know about this is the underlying issues are several.
- 11 What is the cumulative time for vehicles to pass
- 12 through the study corridor and does it increase to the
- 13 point where motorists beyond the project limits are
- 14 severely impacted or avoid the business district
- 15 entirely? Does the increase in queues give cause for
- 16 shortcutting through residential neighborhoods? While
- 17 the study now includes existing traffic count
- 18 information for numerous side streets, there is no
- 19 discussion of the likelihood of Mass. Ave. avoidance
- 20 behaviors which impact existing traffic in
- 21 neighborhoods.
- 22 Again, the functional design report
- 23 fails to prove that through traffic on local streets
- 24 will be reduced. With lengthy vehicle queues in the

- 1 peak hours, will left turning vehicles be impeded from
- 2 accessing numerous side streets and driveways, thus
- 3 creating further gridlock queues? Similarly, will
- 4 egress from certain unsignalized side streets be
- 5 adversely impacted and cause increased delays on said
- 6 streets? Vehicle parking movements, typical of a
- 7 heavily traveled and healthy business district, will
- 8 serve to further compound overall corridor delays and
- 9 queues.
- 10 Given the potential queue lengths and
- 11 the proposed reduction in lanes, most certainly
- 12 emergency vehicles will likely experience increased
- 13 response times.
- 14 I'd like to add that accident data for
- 15 the corridor does not indicate any unique or excessive
- 16 crash rates which would indicate that the corridor is
- 17 inherently unsafe.
- In conclusion, I would just state that
- 19 I would encourage MassDOT to look carefully at the
- 20 overall impacts on efficient movement of the motoring
- 21 public, those who use the corridor year-round, air
- 22 quality degradation due to congestion in surrounding
- 23 neighborhoods.
- 24 That's it.

1	(Applause.)
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- 2 MELISSA MACDONALD: My name is Melissa
- 3 MacDonald, M-A-C-D-O-N-A-L-D, 26 Bartlett Street.
- 4 I'm just going to read a letter that
- 5 I'll be submitting to MassDOT.
- 6 "I have been to all but one of the
- 7 numerous public meetings, workshops, and hearings for
- 8 this project. I'm an Arlington resident. And, as a
- 9 landscape architect, I was thrilled to learn about the
- 10 project when we first learned of it several years ago.
- 11 The project encompasses so many of the elements that
- 12 towns and cities across the country are striving to
- 13 incorporate in their improvement projects, such as
- 14 bike lanes, streetscape improvements like street trees
- 15 and benches, traffic calming, and generally just
- 16 making it safer for pedestrians, cyclists, strollers,
- 17 and slower pedestrians such as the elderly and
- 18 disabled.
- 19 Nearly all of the funding is federal
- 20 and state and it is in place. MassDOT has said that
- 21 Mass. Ave. in Arlington is due for refurbishment.
- 22 This is our opportunity to do that with other people's
- 23 money. Let's do it and let's do it right. Let's make
- 24 Mass. Ave. a safer, more attractive place to live,

- 1 work, shop, ride, drive, and eat.
- 2 Please move forward with the project.
- 3 We do not want to lose the funding. I'd like to see
- 4 all of the improvements in the plan made to Mass. Ave.
- 5 in East Arlington."
- 6 Thank you.
- 7 CHARLOTTE MILAN: Good evening. My
- 8 name is Charlotte Milan, M-I-L-A-N. I live at 19
- 9 Bellevue Road in Arlington.
- 10 I'm thrilled to see the open space kept
- 11 on the avenue the way it's designed, the trees, the
- 12 grassy areas. I am a -- I use the bike path. I use
- 13 Mass. Ave. for biking. I walk. My family commutes to
- 14 work with bikes. My kids walk to school in Arlington.
- 15 And, as a homeowner here for 15 years, I want the Town
- 16 to even have more destination locations for me to go
- 17 to. I'm equally committed to using local businesses.
- 18 And I don't travel back and forth across the street in
- 19 that part of Arlington because I'm afraid of crossing
- 20 the road.
- 21 I'm also co-chair of Sustainable
- 22 Arlington, as well as having worked with other Vision
- 23 20-20 committees for a number of years, including a
- 24 diversity task group. Anything that the Town can do

- 1 to increase accessibility to buses for all people, and
- 2 keep Arlington a place welcoming to all kinds of
- 3 travelers, and make Arlington a place that supports
- 4 the local community here, drawing people to
- 5 businesses, we will support.
- 6 And, I appreciate your time. Thank
- 7 you.
- 8 (Applause.)
- 9 AMY WEITZMAN: My name is Amy Weitzman.
- 10 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Get very
- 11 close to the microphone.
- 12 AMY WEITZMAN: W-E-I-T-Z-M-A-N, 20
- 13 Trowbridge Street.
- 14 Susan Dorson and I co-founded The
- 15 Little Fox Shop inside the Fox Library in 2008. We
- 16 sell donated children's goods to benefit the Fox
- 17 Library. And we have over 40 volunteers that work in
- 18 our store to raise funds for the library.
- 19 We are both supporters of the proposed
- 20 Mass. Ave. redesign. We are very concerned about
- 21 pedestrian safety in East Arlington. Many of our
- 22 customers are families with young children who walk to
- 23 the library with a stroller. We feel that creating a
- 24 more pedestrian friendly Mass. Ave. is critical to the

- 1 continued success of the East Arlington Business
- 2 District.
- We'd like to have wider sidewalks in
- 4 front of the Capital Theatre and on the Fox Library
- 5 block to create space for benches, bike racks, more
- 6 trees and landscaping. We believe these amenities
- 7 will draw more people to East Arlington who patronize
- 8 all business in the area.
- 9 Wider sidewalks, bumpouts, and other
- 10 crosswalk improvements will make it easier for both
- 11 our elderly volunteers and volunteers with small
- 12 children to access our store and the library. We
- 13 support the three-lane configuration, bike lanes, and
- 14 pedestrian improvements. We believe it will create
- 15 increased safety for everyone in East Arlington.
- 16 We'd also like to see a raised
- 17 crosswalk across Cleveland Street and Mass. Ave. Many
- 18 children are crossing the street to get to the library
- 19 and drivers are approaching this intersection at much
- 20 too high a speed.
- 21 We'd also like to see a sign on
- 22 Cleveland alerting drivers of children in this area.
- 23 Lastly, a design that includes wider
- 24 sidewalks, safer crosswalks, benches, and landscaping

- 1 would make East Arlington feel more like a community
- 2 and village. We want people stop and linger not just
- 3 ride through. East Arlington is a wonderful
- 4 neighborhood. I know most of the shop owners and
- 5 employees by name.
- 6 Right now there's only one bench in the
- 7 business district kindly put out each day by the
- 8 owners of Maxima Gift Center. I often sit there with
- 9 my daughters enjoying coffee and a treat from
- 10 Quebrada. With the proposed Mass. Ave. redesign, we'd
- 11 be able to enjoy our neighborhood in a safer and more
- 12 visually appealing way.
- 13 Thank you.
- 14 (Applause.)
- 15 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thanks. I
- 16 don't really have to do this gavel every time, do I?
- 17 No.
- Just before -- as people have to leave,
- 19 I want to let you know that we will post on the
- 20 website the way for you to get any written comment
- 21 that you want to MassDOT. Kim will be talking at the
- 22 end of this. But, as I see people leave, there is an
- 23 opportunity for you to comment in written form and
- 24 we'll put it on the website tomorrow.

- 1 AUDIENCE: What number speaker? Do you
- 2 have a number?
- 3 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Yes, 17. Go
- 4 ahead.
- 5 RANDY BISHOP: I'm Randy Bishop. I
- 6 live at 21 Cleveland Street.
- 7 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: She's
- 8 collecting the numbers. That's all.
- 9 RANDY BISHOP: So, I live -- I'm an
- 10 East Arlington resident and I do not own a car. I
- 11 walk and take public transit. And I'm actually quite
- 12 concerned about the congestion that this project will
- 13 -- the impact of congestion that this project will
- 14 have.
- 15 And I'm very curious. There seem to be
- 16 many wonderful aspects to the plan. And I'm very
- 17 curious why we can't have those without minimizing the
- 18 lanes? So, for example --
- 19 (Applause.)
- 20 RANDY BISHOP: For example, having the
- 21 synchronized lights, that would increase traffic flow
- 22 now. Having the enhanced sidewalk safety features,
- 23 the handicap accessible ramps on the sidewalks, why
- 24 can't we improve the sidewalks and the traffic lights

- 1 while maintaining the four lanes, and the bus stops as
- 2 well? I'd actually like answers to these questions.
- 3 AUDIENCE: Could we have an answer,
- 4 please?
- 5 AUDIENCE: Could we have an answer to
- 6 it, please?
- 7 RANDY BISHOP: I thought that the
- 8 person who talked about the snow creating the example
- 9 of what it would be like to have one lane was very
- 10 apropos as well as the extended sidewalks having, you
- 11 know, to be shoveled that much more. So, I would like
- 12 to hear answers.
- 13 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: I was talking
- 14 to him, when I was just asking him if he would speak
- 15 briefly. We are trying to take comments tonight, not
- 16 answer every comment.
- 17 (Crowd noise.)
- 18 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: All right.
- 19 We'll answer every comment. Okay. Let's be quiet. I
- 20 will ask Rick to answer the question briefly, but we
- 21 do want to have everybody speak. All right.
- 22 RICHARD AZZALINA: Okay. I cannot
- 23 answer the question briefly, so I'm going to try to
- 24 answer it in detail. And, hopefully, I can address

- 1 your concerns.
- 2 AUDIENCE: Louder.
- RICHARD AZZALINA: First of all, you
- 4 asked why not have the same number of lanes and keep
- 5 all the amenities that we're talking about. First of
- 6 all, I just want to be clear. Mass. Ave. is not
- 7 designated or not striped as a four-lane facility.
- 8 Okay? It's a very wide one lane. And the reason why
- 9 I say that, okay, is because if you were to go out
- 10 there and stripe it as a four-lane facility today, you
- 11 would not have enough width in the right travel lane
- 12 to accommodate a shared use bicycle facility, and that
- 13 facility would not have the same benefits that a
- 14 designated bicycle lane has in a three-lane facility
- 15 in terms of worrying about somebody opening a car
- 16 door. You don't have the additional.
- In our plan, we have three travel lanes
- 18 essentially. Okay? We have two lanes eastbound
- 19 basically for two-thirds or three-quarters of the
- 20 project, and one lane westbound for the entire length.
- 21 Now, that westbound lane is not the same width as the
- 22 two eastbound lanes. The westbound lane averages 14
- 23 to 15 feet wide for most of the corridor. It does
- 24 neck down to 11 feet at the traffic light at Lake

- 1 Street. But, elsewhere, where there's no signal
- 2 control, the lane is 14 to 15 feet wide.
- In addition to that one wide lane, we
- 4 have five-foot designated bicycle lanes and an
- 5 additional two feet to an eight-foot parking stall.
- 6 So, if you're measuring the total distance between the
- 7 parked vehicle and the center line of the road, if you
- 8 will, the dividing line of the road, you're averaging
- 9 21 feet or so or 22 feet in width, in pavement width.
- 10 There is no detriment to any type of emergency
- 11 response whatsoever. A vehicle simply pulls over to
- 12 the right as they're required to do by state law, and
- 13 the emergency vehicle passes. There's still 21 or 22
- 14 feet of pavement when you take into account the wide
- 15 single westbound lane, the five-foot bicycle lane, and
- 16 the two-foot accommodation between the bicycle lane
- 17 and the parking spot.
- 18 Now, I think it's unfair for me to try
- 19 to respond to the analogy that someone made earlier
- 20 about the snowstorm that that was a perfect test case.
- 21 It was not a perfect test case. Everybody drives --
- 22 everybody drives slower -- everybody drives slower in
- 23 the winter during a winter storm and there are snow
- 24 banks in place. It's not fair for me to comment that

- 1 that -- that analogy, I think it's like comparing
- 2 apples to oranges for the mere fact that it's a
- 3 different condition. The intersections are still
- 4 malfunctioning, are not operating as efficiently as
- 5 they would be under the new plan. And you don't have
- 6 the same cross-sectional driving habits that you would
- 7 in this plan.
- 8 This plan is a safer plan. People will
- 9 drive it more orderly. What's out there today is a
- 10 very wide open space. People drive it all over the
- 11 place. And that's what's very dangerous about the
- 12 corridor.
- 13 RANDY BISHOP: So you are saying that
- 14 without a designated bike lane there's not enough
- 15 space for two lanes in each direction right now?
- 16 RICHARD AZZALINA: Not enough safe
- 17 space. I can show you a graphic later on if you'd
- 18 like showing what would happen if you tried to squeeze
- 19 two vehicles in the 25 feet of pavement plus the
- 20 parking stop. Okay? If there's a bus -- if there's a
- 21 bus -- and there are plenty of buses that drive the
- 22 corridor --
- 23 RANDY BISHOP: That's what we have
- 24 right now.

- 1 RICHARD AZZALINA: Yes. But that bus
- 2 encroaches into the left lane to pass somebody who is
- 3 on a bicycle. And the reason he does that is because
- 4 there's not sufficient space between the bus to stay
- 5 in his lane and have the bicycle, you know, stay where
- 6 they're supposed to stay.
- 7 RANDY BISHOP: Okay. So, excluding
- 8 putting in the designated bike lanes, and therefore
- 9 needing to widen the change --
- 10 RICHARD AZZALINA: You would have to
- 11 narrow the sidewalks from what they have today.
- 12 RANDY BISHOP: Yeah. So if we weren't
- 13 putting in designated bike lanes, and continuing to
- 14 have the traffic flow as it does now, why can't we put
- 15 in the measures of putting in the synchronized lights,
- 16 updating the sidewalk, all of that?
- 17 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Excuse me.
- 18 I'd like MassHighway, I mean MassDOT, to explain why
- 19 we have the bike lanes because it's their
- 20 requirements.
- 21 RANDY BISHOP: Right. So let's --
- 22 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: No, please
- 23 listen. We can't have a lot of conversations. But it
- 24 would be very helpful. We're designing to their

- 1 standards. So, hold on for a second.
- FRANK SUSZYNSKI: Thank you, Clarissa.
- 3 My name is Fran Suszynski. I'm the
- 4 Project Development Engineer for District 4. And just
- 5 some history.
- 6 I've been involved -- I met with
- 7 probably -- I've met with many of the leaders from
- 8 East Arlington Concerned Citizens. I've met with the
- 9 Town, the designer. I've been involved closely for
- 10 the past 16, 18 months in the project. And I'm glad
- 11 to see the turnouts here and the discussions we're
- 12 having.
- 13 AUDIENCE: Louder.
- 14 FRANK SUSZYNSKI: I think we really
- 15 need to look at all the benefits. And I am going to
- 16 address her question regarding the bike lanes.
- 17 As far as MassDOT is concerned, on all
- 18 projects that we do, we do look at bike
- 19 accommodations. There's several variations of what is
- 20 considered meeting acceptable bike accommodations.
- We heard some people talking about
- 22 shared use. That's where you have a shared lane
- 23 width. The minimum lane width for that would be 15
- 24 feet. We'd prefer 16 feet in a shared lane use. We

- 1 can have it marked -- what we're showing here is a
- 2 marked lane five. That's the desirable. And we shoot
- 3 for desirable. We don't always attain it. But when
- 4 we do have cases where there's available roadway
- 5 width, we prefer to see a five-foot marked bike lane
- 6 for the safety and efficiencies associated with that.
- 7 But a combined or a shared bike lane would still be
- 8 required by MassDOT for this project. So that would
- 9 be for one lane. For two lanes, it would be a 12-foot
- 10 travel lane and then we'd want the second lane to be a
- 11 combined 15-foot wide so that you would have -- then
- 12 you would also have concerns with the parking. When
- 13 it's adjacent to parking, your preference would be 15
- 14 to 16 feet. But those are -- there's a range which is
- 15 acceptable. But we certainly, and especially in the
- 16 past five years, we're really focused on making sure
- 17 that we adequately address all users of the roadway,
- 18 including pedestrians and bikes. And bike
- 19 accommodation is extremely important to the
- 20 Department.
- 21 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 22 You've had a lot of time. Thank you.
- Next?
- 24 STEPHEN CRONIN: Good evening. My name

- 1 is Stephen Cronin. I live on Wyman Terrace. I'm on
- 2 the fringe of this development. I am a lifelong
- 3 resident. And I have attended at least three of the
- 4 prior meetings here.
- I want to thank you for the work you've
- 6 done. But while it may look appealing, I just don't
- 7 see how it's going to work, how you get four lanes
- 8 down to two lanes to make a viable transportation
- 9 corridor. Most mornings -- most mornings, part of my
- 10 morning travel is I do come from Cambridge back into
- 11 Arlington during that 7:45 to 8:30 timeframe. And,
- 12 Mass. Ave. going into Cambridge almost always is
- 13 backed up to Milton Street and Melrose Street on a
- 14 good day, and today especially. Forget the winter. I
- 15 mean people have already spoken about the winter.
- 16 That was a good test case as far as I was concerned
- 17 because we're going to have a winter every winter.
- 18 And if it's down to one lane, we're going to have less
- 19 than one lane.
- 20 And, it hasn't happened yet, but no one
- 21 has spoken yet about the cut-through of potential
- 22 traffic from East Arlington avoiding Mass. Ave. to go
- 23 into all the side streets to get out of Mass. Ave. I
- 24 mean it's tough enough as it is now. We're just going

- 1 to add to it.
- 2 And I know at some of these earlier
- 3 meetings there was some suggestions about, you know,
- 4 doing the easy fixes, the traffic lights, maybe
- 5 striping the road to see what it would look like, to
- 6 see what traffic would bear. And nothing's been done.
- 7 I would have thought for the sake of some convenience
- 8 you would have done something to see what it would
- 9 look like and what the traffic would do.
- I don't think this is a solution yet.
- 11 I really don't. I mean it's a work in process, but I
- 12 don't think this is the one. And, as was said earlier
- 13 on this, you know, if this doesn't work, who's going
- 14 to pay to fix it?
- I thank you for your time. And I just
- 16 -- and I just think we can do better. Thank you.
- 17 (Applause.)
- 18 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Before you
- 19 start, I think there's kind of a miscomprehension
- 20 about the number of lanes. And I want one of these
- 21 two gentlemen behind me to talk about it.
- 22 RICHARD AZZALINA: All right. Clarissa
- 23 has asked me just to clarify how many lanes we have in
- 24 the proposed plan for those of you -- I've heard a

- 1 couple of people say different things also. And I
- 2 just want to -- I guess it's time to clarify.
- We have essentially two travel lanes
- 4 eastbound.
- 5 ED TREMBLY: Excuse me. That is not
- 6 central to the project. You have one lane for a third
- 7 of a mile, one --
- 8 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: We need one
- 9 person talking at one time please. One person at a
- 10 time. One person at a time.
- 11 (Audience shouting.)
- 12 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: We need one
- 13 person at a time or the stenographer will not be able
- 14 to perform his duties. Please.
- 15 RICHARD AZZALINA: Okay. Okay. Let me
- 16 take it this way. Let's go in the direction of
- 17 travel, first of all. I think that might be a little
- 18 clearer. Coming from Arlington Center, when you get
- 19 to Pond Lane -- actually, when you get to Franklin
- 20 Street, you're sitting at a traffic light. There are
- 21 two lanes queued up at that traffic light. As the
- 22 traffic proceeds through that traffic light, they'll
- 23 be required to merge down into a single lane. Okay?
- 24 A single travel lane going eastbound. When they get

- 1 to the point beyond I believe it's Linwood Street,
- 2 which is the next traffic light, shortly after going
- 3 through that traffic light the roadway will widen out
- 4 again to two lanes. And it will remain two lanes all
- 5 the way to Route 16 in terms of through travel lanes
- 6 going eastbound.
- 7 In the westbound direction, starting at
- 8 the Cambridge city line, okay, we have -- well, first
- 9 of all, we have two -- I guess you might say it's a
- 10 lane-and-a-half at the traffic light at Route 16. At
- 11 the Route 16 approach -- it's very important to make
- 12 this analogy here because you don't get a full two
- 13 lanes worth of volume coming through the Route 16
- 14 intersection for the following reason. At the Route
- 15 16 approach for one block you have a left turn lane,
- 16 you have a straight through lane going into Arlington,
- 17 and then you have a combination straight right lane,
- 18 right turn lane. Some of those vehicles turn right so
- 19 you don't get a full two lanes worth of traffic
- 20 volume. However, quite often the bus stop together
- 21 with that, and the bus stop that occurs pretty much at
- 22 the city line, most people tend to get forced into a
- 23 single traffic lane most of the time anyway.
- 24 But, what we do is we move that bus

- 1 stop one more block to allow that transition to occur
- 2 more safely. So, if two lanes were to come through
- 3 Route 16, continue onto Mass. Ave. westbound, they
- 4 have a longer distance to merge into a single lane.
- 5 That single lane is a wide 15-foot lane all the way up
- 6 to the Lake Street intersection.
- 7 ED TREMBLY: Excuse me. Fourteen feet.
- 8 RICHARD AZZALINA: Oh, 15 -- 15 feet.
- 9 It's 14 feet once you get west of Lake Street.
- 10 ED TREMBLY: It says 14 here.
- 11 RICHARD AZZALINA: Fourteen? Okay.
- 12 Then I have it flipped. It's 14 feet from the merge
- 13 at the Cambridge city line up to the Lake Street
- 14 intersection. At the Lake Street intersection, it's
- 15 an 11-foot travel lane. It widens back out to 15 feet
- 16 and then gradually tapers 15 to 14 and 13. But it's
- 17 basically one wide lane next to a bicycle lane next to
- 18 a two-foot accommodation for most of the corridor,
- 19 with the exception of the business district, which is
- 20 only a foot-and-a-half additional.
- 21 But, I just want to emphasize, I know
- 22 there's been a lot of talk about the one lane, a lot
- 23 of talk about congestion. Again, all of the
- 24 improvements that we're making in the corridor with

- 1 regards to shorter pedestrian crossings, improved
- 2 signalization helps to provide more green time for
- 3 Mass. Avenue traffic, thereby improving operations,
- 4 keeping traffic in the corridor.
- 5 In terms of emergency response, all of
- 6 the signalized intersections will have emergency pre-
- 7 emption, which we don't have today. That will allow
- 8 emergency vehicles to get through the signals much
- 9 quicker without delay. And even with the one lane,
- 10 one wide lane, when you look at the total pavement
- 11 width we have of 21 to 22 feet, that's certainly wide
- 12 enough for vehicles to pull over to the right, which t
- 13 they're required to do by law, and allow an ambulance
- 14 or a fire truck to pass.
- So, I hope I've clarified the numbers
- 16 of lanes. If I misspoke, I apologize. But, you know,
- 17 we have two -- one lane westbound, two lanes eastbound
- 18 from just east of Linwood/Foster Street intersection,
- 19 one lane from -- one lane eastbound from Pond Lane to
- 20 the Linwood Street intersection. Okay?
- 21 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 22 Thank you, Rick.
- The Town Manager has letters from both
- 24 the fire chief and the police chief that he's going to

- 1 enter into the MassDOT comments. I asked him not to
- 2 read them tonight. Once we've heard more comments, we
- 3 will certainly ask him to read them if you would like.
- 4 Go ahead. Thank you for being patient.
- 5 JESSICA ADLER-KUZNICK: Hello. My name
- 6 is Jessica Adler-Kuznick. I live at Lewis Avenue in
- 7 Arlington. I've lived here for 10 years.
- 8 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Could you
- 9 spell your last name?
- 10 JESSICA ADLER-KUZNICK: Sure. My last
- 11 name is K-U-Z-N-I-C-K. And I'm a supporter of this
- 12 project. I live here with my two children, my
- 13 husband. And it's really important to all of us that
- 14 Arlington be a safe place to walk, to bike, and to
- 15 drive. We do all three regularly.
- 16 And I was thinking about one thing that
- 17 I feel strongly about with this project is that I
- 18 often make a decision about whether to bike or drive
- 19 for going to Cambridge. And a lot of times we've
- 20 chosen to drive because I do feel uncomfortable on the
- 21 roads. And I have an opportunity to bike on some of
- 22 the newer bike lanes in the Cambridge area and I found
- 23 them really much more comfortable to use. And I look
- 24 forward to a similar bike lane in Arlington.

- I also feel that as a driver I
- 2 sometimes am nervous about crosswalks, pedestrian
- 3 crosswalks. It's hard to see people. And I often
- 4 have to kind of creep along just because I don't know
- 5 who's going to take me by surprise. So, I think all
- 6 these opportunities to make pedestrians more visible
- 7 and to make the roads safer for everybody are a good
- 8 thing.
- 9 Thank you.
- 10 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- I just want to caution the audience
- 12 that anybody who interrupts any of the speakers, any
- 13 of the speakers who have the floor, will be asked to
- 14 leave this auditorium. So, please let people speak.
- 15 It's very important that all the voices get heard.
- 16 Thank you.
- Go ahead.
- 18 ASHLEY COSTELLO: Hi. My name is
- 19 Ashley Costello, C-O-S-T-E-L-L-O. I actually live in
- 20 West Roxbury, but I manage Comella's, the Italian
- 21 restaurant that just opened at 202 Mass. Ave. right
- 22 next to the Capitol Theatre.
- 23 And we are in favor of this change for
- 24 two reasons. Number one is that we think the

- 1 landscape will draw more attention to East Arlington
- 2 and make it more family-oriented, the benches where
- 3 people can sit with their children.
- 4 Also, number two, we happen to be at
- 5 the corner of Mass. Ave. and Lake Street where there's
- 6 two crosswalks that we can easily see every day. And
- 7 we have seen quite a few mothers with children have
- 8 trouble crossing the street, cars coming around the
- 9 corner don't see them, things of that nature, they're
- 10 trying to cross in front of a bus. We just think that
- 11 it will be safer for the neighborhood, more family
- 12 friendly.
- 13 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you for
- 14 those comments.
- 15 RON HOLLAND: My name is Ron Holland.
- 16 I live on 88 Grafton Street. I have lived in
- 17 Arlington since 1976 and in East Arlington since 1996.
- 18 I've raised three children in East Arlington.
- 19 I drive. I walk. I cycle. I'm
- 20 strongly in favor of this plan. I have seen people
- 21 nearly killed at the intersection of Grafton Street
- 22 and Mass. Ave. trying to cross the road. I have seen
- 23 them nearly killed and flipped off by drivers who seem
- 24 to be fantasizing they're in the chariot races of Ben

- 1 Hur.
- In addition, I routinely try to merge
- 3 onto Mass. Ave. from Oxford Street. Bumpouts at
- 4 Grafton Street, bumpouts at Oxford Street would
- 5 greatly enhance visibility. In particular, they would
- 6 prevent the largest most opaque vehicles from parking
- 7 right on the curb, which is a really good trip.
- 8 Anyway, from my point of view, this
- 9 thing is all upside. I strongly support it.
- 10 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you for
- 11 your comment.
- 12 (Applause.)
- 13 BILL KAPLAN: Bill Kaplan, K-A-P-L-A-N,
- 14 57 Spy Pond Lane. I am a driver, a pedestrian. I use
- 15 public transportation. I am strongly opposed to this
- 16 current plan, although I would love to see
- 17 improvements to Mass. Ave.
- I lived in a city that implemented a
- 19 plan very much like this. It was in Santa Monica
- 20 where the stated goal was to discourage drivers from
- 21 driving in the city by making it as unpleasant as
- 22 possible. So they narrowed the roads to one lane in
- 23 each direction, with Broadway with one lane in each
- 24 direction with no left turn lane. I can tell you that

- 1 it doesn't make for an idyllic paradise when you have
- 2 a bunch of drivers all honking waiting for some guy to
- 3 make a left turn so they can move forward.
- 4 I noticed in this plan that there are
- 5 left turn lanes, but not everywhere. In fact, there
- 6 are a number of places where there aren't where the
- 7 entire central artery going through Arlington will be
- 8 stopped because somebody wants to make a left turn on
- 9 Egerton Road, or the entire artery will be moving at
- 10 10 miles an hour because someone is trying to find a
- 11 street. Those things happen. And, in a good design,
- 12 there's a way for traffic moving at the regular speed
- 13 to get around those people.
- 14 This plan will not make a paradise.
- 15 This plan will make a lot of angry drivers honking,
- 16 people backed up. I mean Santa Monica wasn't
- 17 pleasant. It really doesn't work, not the way people
- 18 think. But if you can get at least a passing lane
- 19 everywhere to get through, the improvements are great.
- 20 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Rick can
- 21 comment about the left-hand turn lanes, how many there
- 22 are.
- 23 (Applause.)
- 24 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Please, no

- 1 clapping.
- 2 Go ahead.
- 3 RICHARD AZZALINA: Thank you.
- 4 I'm glad you mentioned the left turn
- 5 lanes because that was something I neglected to
- 6 mention in my earlier discussion about the number of
- 7 lanes. Between Pond Lane and the intersection of
- 8 Linwood/Foster where we actually have one lane
- 9 eastbound and westbound, one through lane, we do have
- 10 seven dedicated left turn lanes. We have four in the
- 11 westbound direction and three in the eastbound
- 12 direction. And those are primarily placed at large
- 13 generators, Dunkin' Donuts, Walgreen's, places like
- 14 that, and your side streets. So, that's a big
- 15 advantage that doesn't exist today in terms of
- 16 dedicated left turn lanes available for those types of
- 17 turns.
- With regard to what's happening in the
- 19 easterly end of the project where we have two lanes
- 20 going toward Cambridge and one wide westbound lane,
- 21 yes, there will be people stopping behind left turning
- 22 vehicles onto those side streets going westbound.
- 23 But, just to give you an analogy of how long you might
- 24 be able to wait -- how long you would be allowed to

- 1 wait, or be required, I should say, to wait behind
- 2 that left turning vehicle, it's very similar to how
- 3 long a person on Mass. Ave. sits at the light at Teel
- 4 and Thorndike, which is about eight to 12 seconds on
- 5 average. So, we do want you to wait behind somebody
- 6 turning left. It doesn't really detriment the
- 7 operations of the corridor.
- 8 That was the best analogy that I could
- 9 give you.
- 10 BILL KAPLAN: So how many of those left
- 11 turn lanes will there be on the redesign?
- 12 RICHARD AZZALINA: There's seven. As I
- 13 said, there are seven dedicated left turn lanes.
- 14 BILL KAPLAN: How many turns without a
- 15 dedicated lane?
- 16 RICHARD AZZALINA: I'm not sure if I
- 17 understand your question.
- 18 BILL KAPLAN: Like Egerton Road, if
- 19 you're on Mass. Ave. going west --
- 20 RICHARD AZZALINA: Yes.
- 21 BILL KAPLAN: -- and you wanted to take
- 22 a left onto Egerton.
- 23 RICHARD AZZALINA: Right.
- 24 BILL KAPLAN: There's no -- there's no

- 1 left turn lane there.
- 2 RICHARD AZZALINA: No.
- BILL KAPLAN: So you'd just stop
- 4 traffic.
- 5 RICHARD AZZALINA: Right.
- 6 BILL KAPLAN: How many turns like that
- 7 are there on this new plan?
- 8 RICHARD AZZALINA: What we're saying is
- 9 that the average person who is making a turn is going
- 10 to have to sit at the --
- 11 BILL KAPLAN: But how many of those
- 12 turns are there?
- 13 RICHARD AZZALINA: I think we have the
- 14 numbers on the plan. I don't have it off the top of
- 15 my head.
- 16 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Yeah. Yeah.
- 17 You could go over. Yeah. Why don't you go over and
- 18 check the plan? Not every street is one way going
- 19 left.
- 20 BILL KAPLAN: I mean it's not my job.
- 21 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: No.
- 22 BILL KAPLAN: But it is his.
- 23 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Right. Thank
- 24 you.

- 1 Mr. Connors?
- JOE CONNORS: I can use this podium
- 3 here.
- 4 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Okay. All
- 5 right. I actually --
- JOE CONNORS: I'll put this down.
- 7 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 8 Yes, certainly.
- 9 JOE CONNORS: I don't have a problem
- 10 with my presentation.
- 11 Anyway, my name is Joe Connors. I live
- 12 at 78 Bates Road in Arlington. That's C-O-N-N-O-R-S.
- 13 Community involvement, community
- 14 feedback, listen to the community. Why is MassDOT
- 15 here? They are here to listen. The Arlington
- 16 community has developed resident feedback, meaning
- 17 signatures. The opinions are in the petitions that we
- 18 are putting forward this evening as part of the
- 19 record. We have gathered not 2,500 signatures, but
- 20 2,700 signatures. And that is a sampling of just a
- 21 small portion. We didn't have time to do more. I
- 22 couldn't stand there anymore. I did enough four-hour
- 23 stints at all the places in Arlington.
- So, Arlington has spoken. Keep Mass.

- 1 Ave. four lanes. The residents asked MassDOT to
- 2 listen. Our evidence is overwhelming. The sampling
- 3 of 2,700 signatures which oppose the present design
- 4 plan. When the community speaks, MassDOT listens as
- 5 they did at Blue Hill Avenue.
- In 1909 (sic), MassDOT went to Blue
- 7 Hill Avenue with a design plan with \$147 million in
- 8 federal and state money available. What happened?
- 9 After MassDOT made their presentation to Blue Hill
- 10 Avenue, the community on Blue Hill Avenue said no to
- 11 \$147 million design plan. So, MassDOT is listening to
- 12 Blue Hill Avenue and MassDOT hopefully will listen to
- 13 the Arlington community.
- 14 For those of you who cannot speak
- 15 tonight, I ask you to hold up anything in your hands
- 16 indicating whether you oppose it or favor it. Please
- 17 hold up your sign now opposing it.
- Thank you very much.
- 19 I will now offer the signatures as part
- 20 of the record.
- 21 (Applause.)
- 22 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Next please.
- JEAN CLARK: My name is Jean Clark and
- 24 I live at 29 Bridge Street. And I've got to say, wow,

- 1 Arlington.
- 2 STENOGRAPHER: Spell your last name for
- 3 the record.
- 4 JEAN CLARK: Clark, C-L-A-R-K. Okay.
- 5 So, Arlington, what a wonderful place to live, because
- 6 I've got to tell you there's not a lot of communities
- 7 when you hold a public meeting you get this many
- 8 people. And I love Arlington. I am fourth
- 9 generation. My children are fifth generation. Really
- 10 shouldn't have any bearing on this discussion, but
- 11 some people in this room that's important to them.
- 12 What I want to say is it's about time
- 13 and I'm really glad that MassDOT is here. Thank you
- 14 so much for coming. Thank you for giving Arlington an
- 15 opportunity to prove itself that it is the community
- 16 it is.
- I just hope that people here tonight
- 18 take the time, regardless of what side you're on, to
- 19 listen to each other because we all know our own point
- 20 of view. And I do think that they have done a great
- 21 job at garnering that point of view, and this plan
- 22 reflects that. The plan started out as something
- 23 different, but it has come to a place trying to
- 24 incorporate everyone's side of the story: three

- 1 lanes, two lanes into Cambridge, one lane out.
- When I tell friends -- and, by the way,
- 3 I am a trained transportation planner and I worked in
- 4 the field for years before I decided to take on my
- 5 current job, which is raising two small children.
- 6 When I tell people I'm from Arlington, the first thing
- 7 they say to me is, "What's the deal with Mass. Ave.?"
- 8 Like besides the fact you could land a jet down Mass.
- 9 Ave., I don't know, am I supposed to be driving on one
- 10 lane, two lanes? What's the story? And the reality
- 11 is the way you see Mass. Ave. today, it's truly
- 12 reflective of what was going on a hundred years ago
- 13 down Mass. Ave. There used to be trolley lines that
- 14 ran down Mass. Ave. My grandfather used to tell me
- 15 you could look up and down either side -- he lived on
- 16 Amsden Street -- you could look up and down either
- 17 side and you'd see trolleys coming. We don't have
- 18 trolleys on Mass. Ave. anymore. Why is it so wide?
- 19 I know change is scary. And you know
- 20 what? Arlington has changed a lot. And I think it's
- 21 changed for the good. I moved back to Arlington after
- 22 a time away, begging my husband to live here. I love
- 23 Arlington. I think it's great. And part of this
- 24 meeting tonight is justifying that feeling. People

- 1 are here. People care. That's great.
- 2 But what I want to say is traffic
- 3 congestion, okay, let's just talk about that.
- 4 Whatever you design and provide accommodation for in
- 5 this plan will flourish. So, if you want to let your
- 6 part of this town continue to be a shortcut for people
- 7 who live in Acton, in Lincoln, you know, in other
- 8 parts on their way to Cambridge, and they don't like
- 9 dealing with that backup on Route 2 so they cut down
- 10 Lake Street and then they cut down Mass. Ave., if you
- 11 want to let your neighborhood still be a shortcut and
- 12 still create lots of bad emissions from those cars,
- 13 then that's fine if that's what you want to have. But
- 14 if you want to have a community that will choose to
- 15 accommodate bicycle -- I've got my own timer and I'm -
- 16 oh, I am at three minutes. I'm sorry.
- I just want to say, in case you haven't
- 18 figured it out yet, I'm totally in favor of this
- 19 project. And one thing I've got to say is there would
- 20 be more people here like me but they would have to get
- 21 a babysitter. They would have had to have brought
- 22 their kids with them.
- 23 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Okay. Okay.
- 24 JEAN CLARK: I feel like John Stewart.

- 1 We've got stuff to do. That's why we're not here.
- 2 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Okay. Thank
- 3 you very much.
- 4 (Applause.)
- 5 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Would
- 6 everybody please have her same sense of humor when you
- 7 come up and give your comments?
- 8 Please, next.
- 9 MARK SWANSON: My name is Mark Swanson,
- 10 S-W-A-N-S-O-N. I live at 40 Bow Street, Arlington.
- 11 Listening, it seems clear that the
- 12 basic reason why the number of lanes is being reduced
- 13 is that MassDOT has a requirement that we would have
- 14 to put in bike lanes where possible. We've been
- 15 seeing a lot of these all over. They are popping up
- 16 all over Massachusetts, places where a couple of lanes
- 17 of reasonable traffic have been converted to one
- 18 congested, slow, backed up road with an empty bike
- 19 lane next to it. Concord Avenue in Belmont, which has
- 20 been recently improved to this level, has got exactly
- 21 that.
- I realize that MassDOT has this
- 23 fixation, but there is an old, you know, rule. If to
- 24 continue doing what is not working and think you're

- 1 going to get a different result is madness. It is
- 2 time that MassDOT wised up and stopped it.
- 3 (Applause.)
- 4 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Next, please.
- 5 BOB AMES: Hello. My name is Bob Ames,
- 6 A-M-E-S. I live at 20 Glen Avenue here in Arlington.
- 7 I've lived here for 33 years. I raised my two boys
- 8 here, went to the schools here.
- 9 But I have a unique perspective on this
- 10 because of my -- I am a retired Cambridge Police
- 11 Officer. I was a Cambridge Deputy Superintendent. I
- 12 have heard several people remark about Central Square.
- 13 Well, I have a unique experience because Central
- 14 Square was under my command. I was responsible for
- 15 the crime and for the traffic issues. And that, what
- 16 they did to Central Square, what you're planning to do
- 17 here in Arlington, was an unmitigated disaster. All
- 18 the outlying streets were overflowing with traffic.
- 19 The bike lanes could barely be used because people
- 20 were getting doored constantly, bicyclists, because of
- 21 trucks that double parked. There's no place for
- 22 trucks to deliver to the businesses. So, a truck
- 23 would be in a parking lane, and there would be a truck
- 24 next to that delivering. It was just horrendous.

- 1 As a matter of fact, when you talk
- 2 about the bumpouts, I recall one occasion where a
- 3 pedestrian was standing in a bumpout and was struck by
- 4 a truck. Had there not been a bumpout there, that
- 5 person probably would not have been struck. But there
- 6 was a tractor trailer trying to make a difficult turn.
- 7 So, I am not in favor of this. I moved
- 8 up here because I thought it was a safe and very
- 9 wonderful community. I didn't want to stay in
- 10 Cambridge. And now you're trying to turn Arlington
- 11 into Cambridge. And I don't want to move back.
- 12 (Applause.)
- 13 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Mr.
- 14 Harrington.
- 15 SEAN HARRINGTON: Sean Harrington, S-E-
- 16 A-N, H-A-double R-I-N-G-T-O-N, Lafayette Street. I'm
- 17 Secretary of the Arlington Coalition for Responsible
- 18 Spending.
- 19 Before I begin, I'd like to commend
- 20 MassDOT's PowerPoint slide show for us. In a few of
- 21 their slides, you'll notice that they're using
- 22 subliminal messaging with a picture of Mass. Ave. with
- 23 a bleak, cloudy looking sky what it is today, and a
- 24 clear blue sky on what it should look like as if it's

- 1 telling us that's a bright future. Well, I disagree.
- 2 I don't see a bright future. What I see is high
- 3 amounts of traffic when I head to school and others
- 4 head to school from Mass. Avenue in East Arlington. I
- 5 see confusions between people trying to park when
- 6 they're crossing bike lanes. I see empty bike lanes.
- 7 And I see people taking a load off on these nice park
- 8 benches you'll put out to watch traffic.
- 9 So, I'm sorry to say what's a bright
- 10 future to you isn't for me. It's a nightmare. It's a
- 11 nightmare for me, the people who live in my
- 12 neighborhood, the people of East Arlington, the owners
- 13 of East Arlington. Save four lanes, no two lanes,
- 14 stop the Mass. Ave. corridor project.
- Thank you. Stop it now.
- 16 (Applause.)
- 17 MAGDALENA HOURSCH: Hi. My name is
- 18 Magdalena Hoursch. It's M-A-G-D-A-L-E-N-A, Hoursch is
- 19 H-O-U-R-S-C-H. And I live at 127 Brattle Street.
- 20 I want to thank those DOT
- 21 representatives for very good explanations. I think
- 22 it did address many of the questions that people have
- 23 been asking. And, also, I really want to thank some
- 24 of the commenters, like the lady in pink. Some really

- 1 good things I've heard from both sides. Very
- 2 informative.
- 3 I'm a mother. My seven-year-old
- 4 daughter is right there. I dragged her here because I
- 5 wanted her here. She and I, we don't dare to bike on
- 6 Mass. Ave. currently because it's just too dangerous.
- 7 And I'm really hoping that it will become possible.
- 8 And, also, I wanted to state to people
- 9 to please think a little bigger for a second out of my
- 10 daily commute, daily live today, and think 10 years
- 11 down the road when climate change has really put the
- 12 reality in front of our face and then it's time to
- 13 think, oh, my God, we really need to change the way we
- 14 all live. Our community has to change. We need to be
- 15 more reliant on bicycles, buses, and walking. It
- 16 would be healthier for us, too. We can all lose some
- 17 pounds I think. Many of us would be happy about that.
- 18 And I think perhaps with all the
- 19 pictures you showed, you missed one thing. You could
- 20 have shown a picture of say a nice European city with
- 21 narrow streets and, you know, lots of pedestrian
- 22 space. And it's really pleasant to look at and to
- 23 live in. Don't we want a picture to live in a
- 24 community like that? I think that would be very

- 1 attractive. We just need to allow ourselves to, you
- 2 know, take a moment to imagine a different way. And
- 3 it is not that scary really.
- 4 You know, and as far as congestion,
- 5 well, like the lady earlier put it very perfectly, if
- 6 we make it such that it is more comfortable to have
- 7 less traffic and to be able to bicycle and take bus,
- 8 you know, maybe a little more frequent bus, you know,
- 9 since with your change we can have more frequent bus
- 10 schedules, then people can be encouraged to take
- 11 buses. But, you know, of course, people also need to
- 12 be educated more about the need to reduce driving.
- 13 So, just having the lanes there, the bicycle lanes and
- 14 the bus lanes there, it makes the condition possible
- 15 so that people can actually do that. And then, you
- 16 know, we, of course, need to do other things.
- 17 I'm actually a climate campaigner. I'm
- 18 a scientist. And I am now volunteering all of my time
- 19 campaigning on climate because I see what is coming
- 20 our way. And I bet that many of you have no idea how
- 21 serious it really is. And if you're interested you
- 22 can check out climatesos.org.
- Thank you.
- 24 (Applause.)

- 1 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you for
- 2 your comment.
- 3 Yes?
- 4 CHARLIE SIMAS: Good evening. Charlie
- 5 Simas, S-I-M-A-S, 42 Oxford Street, also the Coalition
- 6 for Responsible Spending.
- 7 And this is the first time I've heard
- 8 that Mass. Ave. is only one lane. Since they've torn
- 9 up the railroad tracks it's always been two lanes as
- 10 far as I know. And what you're planning on doing is
- 11 not going to relieve traffic. It's going to make
- 12 traffic a horror show, worse than it was in the
- 13 wintertime. You'll have backups all the way into
- 14 Porter Square if you go ahead and do what you're
- 15 planning on doing.
- 16 And, as far as the safety, I just can't
- 17 see where there's any safety problems here. I don't
- 18 see any idea where it's going to not be safe.
- 19 I'm just saying leaving alone. Don't
- 20 fix it. If it's not broke, don't fix it. That's all
- 21 what I have to say. And I'm totally against this
- 22 plan. And I've said you guys at MassPort, you guys
- 23 have got rubber slide rules.
- 24 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.

- I just want to tell people if they have
- 2 written comments, MassDOT representatives are keeping
- 3 them here if you come up to speak. If you don't want
- 4 to speak, but you want to submit written comments,
- 5 there's a cardboard box on the end of the table there
- 6 that you can put your comments in.
- 7 Thank you. And, excuse me. Go ahead.
- 8 DAVID LOUTZENHEISER: Thank you very
- 9 much. My name is David Loutzenheiser, L-O-U-T-Z-E-N-
- 10 H-E-I-S-E-R. I am a transportation planner with the
- 11 Metropolitan Area Planning Council. The MAPC is the
- 12 regional planning agency for the metropolitan region
- 13 of Boston including Arlington and all of the
- 14 surrounding cities and towns.
- 15 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Could you
- 16 give us your address?
- DAVID LOUTZENHEISER: What do you want
- 18 my home address or --
- 19 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Yes.
- 20 DAVID LOUTZENHEISER: My home address?
- 21 My home address is 38 Rice Street in Cambridge.
- 22 That's in North Cambridge.
- 23 All right. MAPC is responsible or
- 24 involved in ensuring that the regional plan -- the

- 1 regional transportation plan goals specify that 20
- 2 percent of all trips will be made by foot or bicycle
- 3 by the year 2030, that vehicle miles traveled will be
- 4 reduced by 15 percent also by 2030. In order to
- 5 achieve these goals, we need to be designing the roads
- 6 as is presented tonight, that balances our
- 7 transportation needs and that accommodates all the
- 8 users.
- 9 I want to emphasize that this project
- 10 as presented tonight not only meets the goals and
- 11 policies of this, but that this type of project is
- 12 being implemented all over this region nearby. Look
- 13 at Somerville, what happened in Somerville. They
- 14 recently completed with bike lanes, wider sidewalks,
- 15 and a single travel lane in each direction.
- 16 Look at East Somerville and Broadway,
- 17 where Broadway is going to be narrowed from four lanes
- 18 to two lanes with much wider sidewalks and bike lanes.
- 19 That's going to be occurring shortly.
- Look at Nonantum Road in Newton, which
- 21 is being narrowed from I think four lanes to two
- 22 lanes, with wider pedestrian and bicycle facilities.
- 23 That is under construction right now.
- 24 And the entire Mass. Ave. corridor

- 1 between Boston and Cambridge, every project that comes
- 2 through in that particular corridor is being designed
- 3 with bicycle lanes on that project. And this would be
- 4 consistent with what's happening from the Boston
- 5 Medical Center all the way through to Arlington, and a
- 6 number of other projects in the region that are --
- 7 that this project is completely consistent with.
- 8 Thank you very much.
- 9 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you for
- 10 your comment.
- 11 Please, no hissing. It really is --
- 12 we're grownups here. We don't need that kind of
- 13 behavior. I'm sounding like a mother. Come on.
- 14 Please.
- 15 Please, go ahead. You can pull it
- 16 down.
- 17 ELIZABETH EWINS: Hello. I'm Elizabeth
- 18 Ewins. My address --
- 19 AUDIENCE: Louder. Louder please.
- 20 ELIZABETH EWINS: My name is Elizabeth
- 21 Ewins. I live at 34 Hamilton Road in Arlington.
- 22 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Could you
- 23 please spell your last name?
- 24 ELIZABETH EWINS: E-W-I-N-S.

- 1 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 2 ELIZABETH EWINS: One thing that hasn't
- 3 been said tonight that really concerns me is noise --
- 4 AUDIENCE: We can't hear you.
- 5 ELIZABETH EWINS: One thing that
- 6 concerns me that hasn't been mentioned here is noise
- 7 pollution. I moved to where I am as I have extremely
- 8 sensitive hearing. Well, guess what? This picture
- 9 I'm hearing on Mass. Avenue, it's just hellish.
- 10 I also wonder if this plans go through
- 11 how much the noise level can go up and if that noise
- 12 level could decrease property values. It might make
- 13 it unbearable for me to live there. I mean I'm just
- 14 losing my mind from the noise level.
- 15 I'm also afraid of crossing Mass.
- 16 Avenue at Linwood Avenue because of the drivers. I've
- 17 seen the drivers go through the lights too many times.
- 18 I've seen buses go through it. Why hasn't anybody
- 19 spoken out about the drivers?
- 20 When I first came here -- I've lived
- 21 here about 11 years -- I first considered crossing
- 22 Mass. Avenue the everyday suicidal act. It took me
- 23 about five years to get used to it. And, during that
- 24 time, I considered the drivers to be I call them

- 1 domestic terrorists. And I can't understand why there
- 2 isn't regulation of how fast people go, why they're --
- 3 why there are people going through red lights
- 4 regularly each day. It's allowed. I'd like to feel
- 5 more safe.
- 6 And another thing this plan didn't say
- 7 anything about was snow removal. Or you said nothing
- 8 about that either.
- 9 That's all. I'd to have a safe Mass.
- 10 Avenue and I think you're barking up the wrong tree.
- 11 Focus on the drivers and make them safe.
- 12 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 13 (Applause.)
- 14 CHRISTOPHER TONKIN: Hello. My name is
- 15 Christopher Tonkin. That's T-O-N as in Nancy, K-I-N
- 16 as in Nancy. I live at 27 Argyle Road. I've been
- 17 there since 1987. I'm currently the Chairman of the
- 18 Arlington Bicycle Advisory Committee. And I'd like to
- 19 state that we support the plan as --
- AUDIENCE: Louder, please.
- 21 CHRISTOPHER TONKIN: We support the
- 22 plans as developed and look forward to seeing the
- 23 project.
- 24 Thank you.

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- 2 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: You can move
- 3 the microphone.
- 4 BOB MORRISON: My name is Bob Morrison.
- 5 That's M-O-R-R-I-S-O-N. I live at 46 Marathon Street
- 6 in Arlington. As many of you might know that's a cut
- 7 through street that might be impacted by traffic flow
- 8 through the corridor.
- 9 I'm aware that this plan is very well
- 10 intentioned and a lot of people put a lot of thought
- 11 into it. But I do think the reduction of two lanes to
- 12 one lanes going westbound -- and I'll just address
- 13 that serious matter. I think the principle of first
- 14 do no harm is sadly missing here. And I'm concerned
- 15 about the quality of life. I think in a real world
- 16 traffic situation, one lane is going to crawl through
- 17 most of East Arlington in rush hour. And that impacts
- 18 bicyclists, who will have to be breathing the fumes
- 19 from slow vehicles idling there. That will impact
- 20 pedestrians. It will impact bus commuters. There are
- 21 15 buses an hour going through there doing rush hour.
- 22 You do the math how many people that is who are
- 23 already suffering through very long delays often
- 24 coming from Cambridge or Alewife. I just think the

- 1 quality of life impact is very important here, not
- 2 some abstract calculation about traffic flow, or, you
- 3 know, the capacity, or the width of the pavement. We
- 4 need only look at Lake Street or Pleasant Street at
- 5 rush hour, which are only a half mile long. They are
- 6 virtual parking lots to the borders of Arlington and
- 7 there are no buses going over there. There are no
- 8 businesses. There are no people pulling in and out of
- 9 parking spaces there.
- 10 I think this plan -- it defies common
- 11 sense to think that this traffic will flow faster
- 12 through this corridor as it's designed now with the
- 13 reduction in traffic lanes.
- 14 Almost all the other improvements, as
- 15 many people have said before -- and I think most of
- 16 the people who oppose this project would support the
- 17 vast majority of the project's improvements here. The
- 18 crosswalks, the sidewalks, traffic signals, other
- 19 amenities would all be welcome and they would all be
- 20 implemented, virtually all of them, without doing away
- 21 with a traffic lane.
- 22 And just as one example alone, I think
- 23 the intersection of Lake Street would become a
- 24 stranglehold, a choke point for traffic as it's

- 1 designed now or proposed to be designed. I believe it
- 2 looks like room for three cars to pull over in the
- 3 dedicated left turn lane. And I assume you will have
- 4 a left turn signal that will allow a few of them to go
- 5 forward. As anyone knows who has watched this traffic
- 6 intersection during rush hour, people are coming down
- 7 Cleveland Street trying to cut over and go down Lake
- 8 Street. People also will be snaking along in
- 9 accordion style, very slowly, up Mass. Ave. Some of
- 10 them will be trying to make left turns there. If
- 11 they're trying to make a left turn and there are more
- 12 than three cars there, they will sit there waiting for
- 13 the green light, the green turn signal, while others
- 14 going straight ahead, who now could easily make their
- 15 way around there, will be forced to wait.
- 16 So, please think of the quality of life
- 17 in this. You really have to experience it. Those of
- 18 us who live there will have to live with this every
- 19 day.
- 20 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 21 Next?
- 22 (Applause.)
- 23 BILL GUSS: My name is Bill Guss, G-U-
- 24 S-S, 7 Pawnee Drive in Arlington.

- 1 As a past resident of East Arlington,
- 2 my wife and I used to frequently walk from Mystic
- 3 Valley Parkway over to the Minuteman Trail to walk.
- 4 We never had any problems with the traffic. I can't
- 5 explain why. I accept it. Some people do. Traffic
- 6 enforcement is the answer to that, not \$5.8 million
- 7 worth of construction.
- 8 Speaking as an engineer, I was
- 9 disappointed to see that there was nothing motivating
- 10 this change. There was no indication of how fast
- 11 Arlington is growing say in the last 10 years, what
- 12 the traffic pattern is for Mass. Ave. during that same
- 13 time, what those planned changes are going to do to
- 14 that traffic in say the next five to 10 years. But
- 15 there seems to be a surplus of pretty slides.
- 16 As a technical person and somebody who
- 17 expects to be treated with some degree of
- 18 intelligence, I found this very disappointing. I feel
- 19 like I'm in a mushroom farm.
- 20 If I were king, I would take \$5 million
- 21 and put it into Arlington schools and I'd put the rest
- 22 into traffic enforcement and maybe do some of the
- 23 other beautification things that people seem to find
- 24 appealing. There are better ways to spend the money.

- 1 Please do it. Thank you.
- 2 (Applause.)
- 3 CAROLYN MASON: My name is Carol Mason.
- 4 I live with my husband and daughter at 29 Bates Road.
- 5 It's Mason, M-A-S-O-N. And my husband is completely
- 6 reliant on walking and public transportation. And we
- 7 feel that this plan sacrifices the safety of
- 8 pedestrians and the convenience of transit users for a
- 9 very small minority of bicycle commuters.
- Just walking over here tonight, I had
- 11 three different bicycles run the red light through the
- 12 crosswalk as I was coming here. I have had many, many
- 13 close calls with speeding bicycles running red lights.
- 14 I have never had that kind of a close call with a car,
- 15 I mean maybe perhaps because I can see the cars more
- 16 easily and it's easier to detect when a car is
- 17 speeding up toward the light and not step out even
- 18 though I have the walk signal. But the bicycles are a
- 19 terror to pedestrians and very dangerous and there's
- 20 no recourse for pedestrians who are struck by a
- 21 bicycle who refuses to give ID and rides off giving
- 22 them the finger.
- 23 And there would be public transit users
- 24 will be stuck in traffic congestion on their buses.

- 1 So, it will make it even more likely that people will
- 2 want to take a car and work around the congestion some
- 3 way rather than sit on Mass. Ave in a parking lot on a
- 4 bus.
- 5 And, finally, I went to speak
- 6 particularly about Bates Road. You might as well give
- 7 Bates Road a state highway number right now. You've
- 8 done that by coming in and paving the double yellow
- 9 line there. Mass. Ave. is a legitimate collector for
- 10 West Medford traffic going to East Arlington. But
- 11 because of the congestion on Route 16 and Route 60, it
- 12 is being used by people going into Cambridge and
- 13 Boston and by people going to Lexington. They choose
- 14 to now come down Bates Road in preference to Route 16
- 15 or Route 60. And you're now endorsing that and
- 16 encouraging that. And plus the other East Arlington
- 17 residents will not be able to make turns onto Mass.
- 18 Ave. with this new configuration. And so every car on
- 19 my side of -- on the Bates Road side of Mass. Ave. is
- 20 going to have to come to Bates Road and wait in an
- 21 endless queue for the light to get onto Mass. Ave.
- So, I am completely opposed to this
- 23 project. Thank you.
- 24 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you for

- 1 your comment.
- 2 (Applause.)
- 3 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Go ahead,
- 4 Jim.
- JIM DOLAN: I'm Jim Dolan. That's D-O-
- 6 L-A-N, 285 Mass. Ave.
- 7 I have to take the bus every day to
- 8 work. And one thing I'd like to talk about is
- 9 actually travel time on the 77 bus as it is.
- Right now, you're looking at, if you're
- 11 going to Porter Square from my area of Mass. Ave., it
- 12 takes about 30 and sometimes 45 minutes. So,
- 13 typically -- that's with two lanes. You bring it down
- 14 to one, we're looking at possibly an hour. So, it's
- 15 maybe an hour-and-a-half if you take the Red Line
- 16 anywhere. With that being the situation, maybe I
- 17 could just move to I guess Worcester or Providence
- 18 because I'd actually get into Boston faster.
- 19 (Applause.)
- 20 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Please go
- 21 ahead.
- 22 BARRY SLOTNICK: Barry Slotnick. It's
- 23 S-L-O-T-N-I-C-K, 94 Grafton Street.
- 24 I'd like to suggest that this project,

- 1 while MassDOT is overseeing it, is not really a
- 2 transportation project for this community, but a
- 3 community enhancement project.
- 4 I live right in this district. Grafton
- 5 Street comes right out to where Sabatino's is in the
- 6 business area. In the past 30 days of the businesses
- 7 and the organizations, I can remember patronizing the
- 8 Fox Library, the Capitol Theatre, an ice cream shop,
- 9 Maxima Gift Center, Sabatino's, Christo's Grocery
- 10 Store, and a bus stop at Lake Street. And I take the
- 11 fairly often.
- 12 This project is not about bike lanes.
- 13 The presence of bike lanes won't make the road any
- 14 less safe for motorists. This project is not about
- 15 emergency vehicle access. This project is about
- 16 whether we want a Wal-Mart economy and community or a
- 17 Main Street economy and community. A Wal-Mart or
- 18 Target economy does not benefit us. It benefits towns
- 19 like Everett. It benefits the oil industry. It
- 20 benefits Chinese manufacturers. I want a Main Street
- 21 economy for me, my neighbors, my friends who own
- 22 several businesses in the district, and for the Town
- 23 of Arlington. Make Mass. Ave. better for business by
- 24 rebuilding it with the people of Arlington. And,

- 1 therefore, I support this project whole-heartedly.
- Thank you.
- 3 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 4 (Applause.)
- 5 SCOTT SMITH: I'm Scott Smith, S-M-I-T-
- 6 H, 39 Amherst Street in Arlington.
- 7 I've lived in Arlington for about 20
- 8 years now, own my home. Been on the Transportation
- 9 Advisory Committee since its founding and on the Board
- 10 of Review Committee.
- 11 First, I have an esoteric comment on
- 12 the safety statistics in the functional design report
- 13 since we've been tracking that for the past 15 years.
- 14 As MassDOT is no doubt aware, starting in 2002 and in
- 15 subsequent years, the number of annual state reported
- 16 crashes dropped a lot, from about 600 a year in
- 17 Arlington to about 300 a year. And we know, you know,
- 18 reported crashes, we know from talking to our own
- 19 police department that this kind of decrease isn't
- 20 real. And the relevance to this project is that these
- 21 are the numbers being used in the functional design
- 22 report. They're missing lots of crashes in this town.
- 23 And I just want people to be aware of that when you're
- 24 trying to argue that the road is safe.

- 1 Now the more general comment.
- 2 Traveling around town, what do I see different in the
- 3 last 20 years? Many of my neighbors walking down to
- 4 Alewife or elsewhere, a lot more bikes, busy MBTA
- 5 service. And I'm grateful for this because these are
- 6 the people, your friends, my friends, your neighbors,
- 7 who through their own travel decisions are actually
- 8 doing something about our traffic and parking
- 9 problems. They should be accommodated and encouraged
- 10 not marginalized.
- 11 So, if one of my neighbors finds she
- 12 can get down to Capitol Square without driving, it's
- 13 one less car looking for parking, one more parking
- 14 space for someone else.
- So, obviously, you can probably figure
- 16 I was for the project.
- I do want to address one question that
- 18 was raised about the four lanes that didn't really get
- 19 answered. One of the motivations behind this project
- 20 was pedestrian safety findings on roadways. Four ways
- 21 is more dangerous than two. Having refuge islands
- 22 makes your pedestrian environment safer by shortening
- 23 the crossings. And this plan provides that
- 24 opportunity at least at two locations.

- 1 Thank you.
- 2 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you,
- 3 Scott.
- 4 (Applause.)
- 5 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Come on,
- 6 everybody. Okay. Go ahead.
- 7 JULIA MALIK: Hi. My name is Julia
- 8 Malik, M-A-L-I-K. I live on Marathon Street.
- 9 And I just came to say that I'm in
- 10 support of the project. I'm a multimodal commuter. I
- 11 bike to work right now, take the bus. But sometimes I
- 12 have to work out in the suburbs, so I'm driving. So I
- 13 basically experience it all.
- 14 I'm in support of the project because
- 15 for me to access East Arlington and Mass. Ave., I
- 16 walk. And, right now, it is very unfriendly. And it
- 17 discourages me. And I'm one of those people who I
- 18 don't go there as often as I would because it feels
- 19 uncomfortable crossing the street. And I'm also here
- 20 because of my upstairs neighbors that have kids that
- 21 can't make it. And they said, "Please, you know, come
- 22 and speak up for us," because they have kids, as
- 23 somebody else has mentioned, and they really can't do
- 24 everything at once.

- 1 And that's pretty much it. I support
- 2 the project. And I really appreciate all the work
- 3 that you've done for it.
- 4 Thank you.
- 5 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 6 Mrs. Baron?
- 7 SHERI BARON: Hi. My name is Sheri
- 8 Baron, S-H-E-R-I, B-A-R-O-N. I live at 10 Raleigh
- 9 Street in Arlington. And I'm a member of the East
- 10 Arlington Concerned Citizens Committee.
- I have a tremendous amount of things I
- 12 could say, but in three minutes I'll say two things.
- 13 First of all, it's very distressing to
- 14 me that at the very start of this project there were
- 15 no side street impact studies done because we were
- 16 told that it was outside of the scope of the project.
- 17 Since then, four people joined the Advisory Board, and
- 18 engineers went out and did what they call side street
- 19 studies. But it's very disturbing that that was not
- 20 taken into account at first.
- 21 So, I'm first going to talk about the
- 22 proposed death trap signal at Bates and Raleigh
- 23 Street. So, I live 12 houses down on Bates Road. And
- 24 for any of you who know that area, when you're coming

- 1 off of the Mystic Valley Parkway down River Street,
- 2 there's a light. If you're halfway down that street
- 3 and the light is yellow, your inclination is to just
- 4 gas it to try to make the light. Once you realize you
- 5 can't, you learn from experience and you don't. I
- 6 assume the same thing is going to happen when you put
- 7 a light at the corner of Bates and Mass. Ave. And I
- 8 believe that it fulfills the warrant, but just barely.
- 9 The other thing is on a more personal
- 10 level for me, my husband, my neighbors, and that is
- 11 that our most valuable material asset is our home.
- 12 So, we now live on a street where if traffic backs
- 13 down Bates, which I believe that it will if there's a
- 14 light, and I see that there are some positive reasons
- 15 for a light in the morning where other ways to go down
- 16 Mass. Ave. don't require a light, the chances are
- 17 extremely strong that people are going to start taking
- 18 a left on Raleigh Street. Four houses on Raleigh
- 19 Street. I live there with my husband, my daughter,
- 20 and our twin grandchildren. So, when we asked this
- 21 question in a meeting about what would happen if, in
- 22 fact, the studies were not quite right and there might
- 23 be additional side street traffic, we were told it
- 24 would be mitigated. And when we asked for an

- 1 explanation of mitigation, we were told, "Well, we
- 2 might do speed bumps, speed tables, or we might just
- 3 make a number of streets one way."
- Well, I didn't buy a house on a one-way
- 5 street. And I think that that would devalue my home
- 6 and the value of homes on Bates Road.
- 7 The other thing, very quickly, is that
- 8 somebody alluded to European cities. And I put this
- 9 out on the list and I'm going to read it really
- 10 quickly.
- 11 "Bike lanes are very popular in
- 12 Stockholm, Copenhagen, Bremen, hundreds of miles of
- 13 bike lanes. They work because they either share large
- 14 wide sidewalks with pedestrians or because they're
- 15 separate dedicated lanes that have curbing on both
- 16 sides. That's why 150,000 out of 810,000 people in
- 17 Bremen ride their bikes to work and why less than 1
- 18 percent of commutes in the United States are done by
- 19 bike."
- 20 (Applause.)
- 21 SCOTT MULLEN: My name is Scott Mullen.
- 22 I live at 68 Livingston Street.
- I would like to thank our friends from
- 24 MassDOT for coming up tonight. I hope you guys get

- 1 paid overtime for this.
- 2 STENOGRAPHER: Last name, Scott?
- 3 SCOTT MULLEN: My last name is Mullen,
- $4 \quad M-U-L-L-E-N$ .
- 5 I'm an East Arlington resident, and I'm
- 6 here tonight in support of the current 25 percent
- 7 completed version of the Mass. Ave. redesign. Kudos
- 8 to your team of engineers for their balanced approach
- 9 to a very important project with many stakeholders.
- 10 Our overly wide, unmarked stretch of Mass. Ave. feels
- 11 like highway first, neighborhood second. And I'm
- 12 encouraged that the plan takes into account all end
- 13 users, be they commuting through our town or living in
- 14 it. This plan will tame Mass. Ave.'s current chaos
- 15 without sacrificing motor vehicle throughput or
- 16 emergency access, and present our neighborhood with
- 17 the opportunity to blossom.
- Wider sidewalks, shorter, safer
- 19 crossings, will increase pedestrian traffic. Bicycle
- 20 lanes will give clear delineation of space for all
- 21 road users providing space for cyclists to feel
- 22 confident as part of the traffic flow. And the
- 23 current three-lane plan will not produce traffic
- 24 volume or curbside parking capacity. I envision a

- 1 calmer, more community-oriented East Arlington as a
- 2 result of this plan.
- The term triple bottom line has been
- 4 fashionable in business circles, and refers to the
- 5 multiple goals of serving people, planning, and
- 6 profit. If you steward this plan to fruition, I
- 7 believe you will achieve a similar hat trick,
- 8 simultaneous addressing the interests of motorists,
- 9 bikes and peds, and the businesses along the corridor.
- 10 I look forward to supporting it.
- 11 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: That last
- 12 speaker was number 50 for those in the back.
- 13 SELECTMAN DAN DUNN: Fifty-seven.
- 14 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Fifty-seven.
- 15 And she has 51. So, for you all that want to know
- 16 where we are.
- 17 ANNE CARLISLE: My name is Anne
- 18 Carlisle, C-A-R-L-I-S-L-E. I live at 116 Mass. Ave.
- 19 in Arlington, which is near Farnum Street in the
- 20 middle of this entire project. And I'm very in favor
- 21 of it.
- I just want to make a couple of points.
- 23 I know that time is short. I hear, not necessarily
- 24 tonight, but I've heard many comments for the last

- 1 couple of years about the bike path. Why do we need
- 2 bicycle lanes on Mass. Avenue when we have the bike
- 3 path that we spent so much money on just a couple of
- 4 blocks away? I used to ride a bike. I walk. I walk
- 5 my dog. I get around the area. The bike path is a
- 6 misnomer. It's a general recreational facility. It
- 7 accommodates a lot of bikers going to Alewife to
- 8 commute. It accommodates many pedestrians walking to
- 9 Alewife. It also accommodates people walking their
- 10 dogs, families walking five abreast, children with
- 11 training wheels. And it's not -- I nearly killed a
- 12 child on that bike path one day because I was riding
- 13 at a high rate of speed. And she made a u-turn right
- 14 in front of me. She was about eight years old. She
- 15 was out there without her parents. You can't get up a
- 16 good head of speed on the bike path if you're in
- 17 commuting mode. It's fine for Sunday afternoon.
- 18 I'm very in favor of the bike lanes on
- 19 Mass. Avenue for a second reason. I would like to see
- 20 the bicycles off the sidewalks on Mass. Ave. As the
- 21 weather gets warmer, there are going to be more and
- 22 more of them. And I'm talking about adults, mostly
- 23 male, who appear to be 18 years or over, sometimes
- 24 well over. I'm not talking about families out on a

- 1 Sunday afternoon with children or grade school
- 2 youngsters riding on the sidewalk. There are a lot of
- 3 adults using the sidewalks on Mass. Ave. to commute.
- 4 I think everything else has been pretty
- 5 much said. But I'm looking forward to the -- I should
- 6 say I look -- my windows look on Mass. Ave. I see the
- 7 traffic every day. I don't believe that going to one
- 8 lane westbound in that area of Mass. Ave. is going to
- 9 be a problem. I barely see a problem now on Mass.
- $10\,$  Ave. absent an accident or another situation. And I
- 11 believe that the -- we still have two lanes going
- 12 eastbound in that area. I believe the situation will
- 13 improve somewhat with the bicycle lanes and the
- 14 dedicated -- seven dedicated left turn lanes.
- Thank you very much.
- 16 CHAD GIBSON: Hi. My name is -- I'm
- 17 sorry. Hi. My name is Chad Gibson. I'm a resident
- 18 of Varnum Street in East Arlington. I'm going to
- 19 speak also on behalf of the East Arlington Livable
- 20 Streets Coalition, which I am co-chair of.
- I've got three things I'd like to say.
- 22 I'm going to read a letter that I wrote for me
- 23 personally and my wife. I'm not from Arlington. I've
- 24 been here just a little over three years now. And my

- 1 wife and I have fallen in love with this town and we
- 2 really enjoy it. We enjoy the community that this
- 3 town has and we want to see our end of the town grow,
- 4 grow in the community and grow in having a main street
- 5 that's worthy of the residents that live there.
- 6 I've heard a lot of anger in the room
- 7 tonight. I understand that anger. I've heard a lot
- 8 of yelling, "Why can't we have four lanes because we
- 9 have four lanes now?" There's two things I think we
- 10 all need to all remember in this discussion. There
- 11 are design guidelines that MassDOT uses to design our
- 12 roadways. Those are readily available on the web.
- 13 It's the Project Development Design Guideline. It is
- 14 a treasure trove of information about projects like
- 15 this. You need to read that document. You need to
- 16 read the functional design report, see the traffic
- 17 data that was done. That is critical to understand
- 18 the traffic, the lane configurations, and why in some
- 19 places we have to have two lanes and in some places we
- 20 can get away with just one.
- 21 This is the letter I'd like to read on
- 22 my behalf and my wife's.
- 23 "I moved to East Arlington three-and-a-
- 24 half years ago for many of the same reasons that

- 1 people are still moving here today: access to public
- 2 transportation, great neighborhoods, and the ability
- 3 to walk to all the shops and businesses along Mass.
- 4 Ave.
- 5 Once we started living here, I realized
- 6 Mass. Ave. was hardly a people friendly place. What I
- 7 considered our neighborhood's main street was simply a
- 8 chaotic mix of cars, buses, bicyclists, and
- 9 pedestrians whose design hadn't been touched since the
- 10 trolley tracks were paved over. It seemed to me a bad
- 11 hangover from the 1970s, a yellow stripe in the
- 12 middle, and that was that.
- 13 After living here for about a year, I
- 14 heard about the Town planning on redoing the avenue.
- 15 I thought the timing couldn't be better. It needs to
- 16 be updated. I looked on the Town's website and found
- 17 what the major goals of the project were. These goals
- 18 are still the same ones listed there today. The
- 19 website stayed. The primary goal of this project is
- 20 to upgrade the aging infrastructure, including
- 21 resurfacing the road, rebuilding the sidewalks, and
- 22 replacing outdated traffic signals. As part of this
- 23 project, there will be some redesign of sections of
- 24 Mass. Ave. to revitalize the commercial area and make

- 1 the corridor pedestrian friendly with a healthy
- 2 balance between automobiles, bikes, pedestrians, and
- 3 transit users.
- For nearly three years, we've done
- 5 planning, design, public debate, redesign, submittal,
- 6 redesign again, and more public debate. The question
- 7 tonight is does this project plan before us attain the
- 8 goals set out for this project almost three years ago?
- 9 The answer..."
- 10 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Chad.
- 11 CHAD GIBSON: Can I finish this
- 12 paragraph? It's short.
- 13 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Go ahead.
- 14 CHAD GIBSON: "The answer is a
- 15 resounding yes. The design has followed the MassDOT
- 16 project development and design guide. Yes, the
- 17 project takes into account state law by accommodation
- 18 of pedestrians and bicyclists on roadways. Yes, the
- 19 project is based on sound engineering, data, and
- 20 analysis."
- 21 Last sentence. "Yes, this design has
- 22 been changed due to public input. Compromises were
- 23 made to garner more support for those who think
- 24 motorists' ability is being impinged."

1	Thank	you.
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- 2 (Applause.)
- 3 DAVID VON SCHACK: My name is David Von
- 4 Schack. The last name is V-O-N S-C-H-A-C-K. I live
- 5 on 10 Chevion Road here in Arlington since 2003.
- 6 People have talked about European
- 7 cities a lot. And I didn't want to talk about it.
- 8 I'm European. I'm German. And I have to say I lived
- 9 in a town that was the bicycle capital of Germany in
- 10 1980 sometime. And I can definitely mention we had
- 11 better design sometimes for bicycles than is proposed
- 12 by MassHighway. I acknowledge that. But many bicycle
- 13 lanes in those towns that people have talked about --
- 14 I can't, you know, talk about stuff all over
- 15 Copenhagen, but definitely many of the German towns
- 16 that I lived in. One of them was the bicycle capital
- 17 of Germany in the '80s. It has lots of the same
- 18 configurations and they work. So, anybody who thinks
- 19 they don't work, they do work really well. I've lived
- 20 in Munich. Similar configuration.
- Okay. So now the part that I really
- 22 wanted to -- I will read to you.
- I really want to thank MassDOT for
- 24 coming here tonight, spending some time with Arlington

- 1 citizens. I've talked to a lot of parents at the
- 2 schools. I have two kids in Arlington public schools,
- 3 elementary school. A lot of those parents can't come
- 4 tonight. Again, they have kids at home. They did not
- 5 have a babysitter, so I hope I also speak for them to
- 6 some extent.
- 7 I think MassDOT has done a tremendous
- 8 job. And I want to commend you on doing that job,
- 9 really carefully reviewing all aspects of
- 10 transportation on Massachusetts Avenue.
- We've heard comments from people that
- 12 are probably more looking at just the continuous use
- 13 of Mass. Ave. as a single-use car usage. But, as we
- 14 are aware, there are many more bikers over the years,
- 15 you know, that want to use Mass. Avenue that way.
- 16 As a father of two elementary school
- 17 children in Arlington, I am happy to be able to
- 18 express my support for the project, which will
- 19 definitely improve the safety of East Arlington, Mass.
- 20 Avenue.
- 21 I recently dropped off my daughter at
- 22 the Capitol Theatre and I observed a family that tried
- 23 to cross the road that goes west at Mass. Avenue
- 24 there. And it was really frightening to see how the

- 1 father pretty much, you know, throws himself in front
- 2 of traffic and then, you know, backed off again and
- 3 tried to get his two kids over the road.
- 4 Again, I'm very supportive of the
- 5 project, mainly for the safety aspects that are in
- 6 there.
- 7 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you for
- 8 your comments. If you want to leave your written
- 9 statement, you can do that.
- 10 ELIZABETH CARR-JONES: Good evening,
- 11 everyone. I'm Elizabeth Carr-Jones. The last name is
- 12 spelled C-A-R-R, hyphen, J-O-N-E-S. I live on Lehigh
- 13 Street in Arlington. I'm also a member of the
- 14 Transportation Advisory Committee, so I've seen this
- 15 project from its very beginning.
- 16 This is the first time I've spoken at a
- 17 public meeting. I've mostly been listening. But I
- 18 want to express my excitement and my enthusiasm for
- 19 this project, and to make a point that this project
- 20 represents improvements for every mode of
- 21 transportation as well as the business community. And
- 22 I applaud that, because it's really what it needs to
- 23 be.
- 24 I've seen the public process address

- 1 concerns. I've seen the project change over the
- 2 course of the time it's been worked on. I thought
- 3 that all of those changes have been good, well
- 4 considered. I think that the approach to the project
- 5 is very forward looking, and it's very adaptive, and
- 6 well suited to the specific circumstances of Mass.
- 7 Ave. in East Arlington. It's not a generic project by
- 8 any stretch.
- 9 I think it's very complicated. And I
- 10 do understand the sophistication that's gone into
- 11 developing the project as it stands today. And I
- 12 think that the more people look at it, the more
- 13 they'll understand that sophistication. And it's very
- 14 important.
- Mass. Ave. is our main street in
- 16 Arlington. It needs to have a lot of -- a lot of
- 17 uses, a lot of pull and push from a lot of different
- 18 people. And I think that what's been done really does
- 19 have that approach in mind.
- 20 I feel -- I feel that if we were to
- 21 stop this project, it would only hurt Arlington. And
- 22 I want to remind everyone who may not be aware that
- 23 this project was begun out of some very tragic
- 24 pedestrian fatalities. And I can in good conscience

- 1 get up here and say that I think that all the problems
- 2 that caused those have been addressed. So, for what
- 3 it's worth, I do think that this is a problem and it
- 4 does need to be fixed. And for everyone -- I mean I'm
- 5 sympathetic to people who are looking for a simple
- 6 four-lane solution to this problem. But I remind you
- 7 -- and I can't recall the -- but for every complicated
- 8 problem, there's a simple solution, but it's usually
- 9 wrong.
- 10 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you,
- 11 Elizabeth
- 12 (Applause.)
- HUGH MCCRORY: Good evening. My name
- 14 is Hugh McCrory. I live on Argyle Road in Arlington.
- M-C-C-R-O-R-Y.
- 16 I've lived here for a number of years.
- 17 And it doesn't really matter how long I've lived here
- 18 because I live here now.
- 19 Well, first of all, I quickly want to
- 20 thank MassDOT and the Board of Selectmen, the previous
- 21 Board as well, and the Town leaders for bringing us to
- 22 this stage.
- I think what's important is that we do
- 24 have discussion. I respect a lot -- all the people I

- 1 spoke to until tonight were for it. My opinion hasn't
- 2 changed. I have heard the other reasons for being
- 3 against it. I generally respect the differing
- 4 opinions, except perhaps when they're shouted into my
- 5 face. Then I tend not to agree.
- 6 I commend the Board of Selectmen for
- 7 taking on this project, the public hearing. It's not
- 8 easy. It's torturous. It can get out of control.
- 9 Well done. It's brave of the leadership, not just to
- 10 this current chair but to previous leaders.
- To the MassDOT, I would ask you to
- 12 consider the silent majority, the people who can't
- 13 make it here tonight, people who haven't clapped in
- 14 support of their opinions, people who haven't
- 15 interrupted other speakers.
- 16 To the previous -- one of the previous
- 17 speakers who said that Arlington has spoken. The last
- 18 time that Arlington spoke was on April 2<sup>nd</sup> of this
- 19 year. That's when Arlington speaks. And that's when
- 20 we had our election. That's clear. Two thousand
- 21 seven hundred people, I respect their views. We have
- 22 44,000 in the Town of Arlington. That's 6 percent of
- 23 the population.
- 24 To the people who are concerned about

- 1 the depths of traffic in their area. I can relate to
- 2 that. My opinion, based on what I've heard, what I've
- 3 read, is that this is a project for the betterment of
- 4 the Town. I think all we have to do is look up Mass.
- 5 Ave. a little bit to Lexington. I don't think the sky
- 6 is going to fall if we reduce a lane on Mass. Ave. I
- 7 think it will help the elderly. I think it will help
- 8 families, mothers, fathers with children. I think it
- 9 will make the Town a more attractive place to visit
- 10 and to live.
- I hope we can keep this process going
- 12 until everyone -- until the majority of people's
- 13 concerns are eased or allayed.
- So, I would just urge you to consider
- 15 not just the people here today, but people who haven't
- 16 been able to come today. I guess my wife is one of
- 17 them. She's looking after a bunch of kids, or our two
- 18 kids.
- 19 So, thank you very much, everyone. And
- 20 thanks to the Town of Arlington for this process.
- 21 Keep it up.
- 22 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thanks, Hugh.
- 23 (Applause.)
- 24 NICK MEIMARIS: Nick Meimaris on

- 1 Melrose Street.
- 2 STENOGRAPHER: Name again?
- 3 NICK MEIMARIS: Meimaris, M-E-I-M-A-R-
- 4 I-S, longtime resident, born here, actually.
- 5 I wasn't planning on speaking, but a
- 6 few things I would like to bring up.
- 7 Number one, I work in Billerica. It
- 8 takes me 20 minutes to get to Lake Street. And then
- 9 from Lake Street it takes me over 30 minutes to get to
- 10 my street. So, you can see the traffic that not only
- 11 backs up to Mass. Ave. to Lake Street, but from Lake
- 12 Street to Route 2, which is very dangerous because
- 13 when you're going at 65, 55, 65 miles an hour, and
- 14 that traffic just suddenly appears because of Lake
- 15 Street backing up, that is a problem. So, MassDOT has
- 16 to take into account also the highway system how it's
- 17 backing up. And that's not only Lake Street, but it's
- 18 all of the side streets that are being affected on the
- 19 East Arlington side.
- Number two, a couple of concerns that
- 21 have been brought up. I'm terrified of bicyclists'
- 22 driving. There was a woman earlier who said trying to
- 23 get a head of steam to pass somebody with training
- 24 wheels. That concerns me because I have two children

- 1 and I go on the bike path. And when they're yelling,
- 2 left, right, right, left, and they can't make up their
- 3 minds how to pass us, that's an issue for me. And
- 4 that issue is going to be on the bike lane on Mass.
- 5 Ave. because bicyclists get frustrated with one
- 6 another and they try to pass one another.
- 7 I have not seen a bicyclist, nine out
- 8 of 10 times, stop at the stop signs they have on the
- 9 bike path currently. When we're on Lake Street trying
- 10 to get home, they're running the stop signs, not
- 11 stopping to see if there's oncoming cars. So the cars
- 12 are forced to yield and watch for oncoming bicyclists
- 13 trying to rush over Lake Street to get home or to
- 14 Alewife. So, these types of concerns are something
- 15 that need to be addressed. And I don't think they
- 16 have been addressed at all. Everything's about the
- 17 motorists and everything's about the lanes, but the
- 18 bicyclist not obeying the laws is also a concern of
- 19 mine. And for them to be passing on the bike lanes is
- 20 going to be an issue. When a parked car tries to open
- 21 the door, and a bicyclist tries to avoid that, he's
- 22 going to go into oncoming traffic because they are
- 23 getting a head of steam. They're going 20, 30 miles
- 24 an hour these days. There are advanced bicyclists on

- 1 Mass. Ave., and on Lake Street, and on the bike path.
- 2 So those are some things that we need
- 3 to address and some things that we need to be aware
- 4 of. So, that's my concerns. And I am against it.
- 5 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 6 Thank you for your comments.
- 7 Next?
- 8 (Applause.)
- 9 MATHEW GHEORGHIOU: I'm Mathew
- 10 Gheorghiou. The last name is G-H-E-O-R-G-H-I-O-U.
- 11 And Mathew is with one T. Okay? I'm at 35 Bowdoin
- 12 Street.
- 13 AUDIENCE: Get closer.
- 14 MATHEW GHEORGHIOU: I'm sorry. I
- 15 apologize. I'm at 35 Bowdoin Street.
- 16 And I'm a little disappointed with this
- 17 whole thing because I feel that it's been shoved down
- 18 the residents of Arlington's throat. Whether we like
- 19 it or not, everyone's going to do whatever it is they
- 20 want without actually speaking to the residents. And
- 21 I think the overwhelming evidence is that they're
- 22 against it. We'd prefer four lanes rather than two.
- 23 I've been a resident since 1979. And,
- 24 Arlington had 20,000 people then, and I believe it has

- 1 about 40,000 now, right? And I don't like the fact
- 2 that -- I don't believe that that area should be
- 3 changed to become Lexington. Part of the reason that
- 4 you live in Arlington is the beauty of it is that
- 5 you're accessible to Cambridge and to Boston in a
- 6 reasonable amount of time. And what's happening here
- 7 is they're going to change it and they're going to
- 8 scare everybody in the adjacent neighborhoods and
- 9 everything else by having these motorists driving to
- 10 the back of the neighborhoods.
- I'm totally against this. And I think
- 12 Mr. Berger has explained it, I don't know, a thousand
- 13 times. And I'd really appreciate if the Selectpeople
- 14 would listen to us rather than not.
- Thank you very much.
- 16 (Applause.)
- 17 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you for
- 18 your comments.
- 19 Go ahead.
- 20 KEITH KEARSLEY: Hi. My name is Keith
- 21 Kearsley. Kearsley is K-E-A-R-S-L-E-Y. I live on
- 22 Thorndike Street here in Arlington.
- I guess my question is what if you're
- 24 wrong? So, there's a lot of concerns. I agree with

- 1 most of the concerns. I'm against the lane reduction.
- 2 And I feel like you're gambling with our local
- 3 economy. So, you might be right. Right? Like you
- 4 guys seem like you've made yourselves pretty
- 5 comfortable.
- I work in a medical device company in
- 7 R&D. And it's all about risk. Right? It's about
- 8 assessing the data. And it's really easy to want
- 9 something and to convince yourself that you're the
- 10 right thing. Our competitor, one of our competitors,
- 11 went out of business last year for doing the same
- 12 exact thing. A big company went out of business
- 13 because they convinced themselves that their device
- 14 was sufficiently robust and it wasn't. People died
- 15 and they went out of business.
- 16 So, to give you one more data point.
- 17 If there's more traffic, I'm going to drive down a
- 18 side street. If it's harder to park, I'm going to use
- 19 the businesses less and I'm more likely to leave
- 20 Arlington. I've lived here for six years, but I'm
- 21 still at a point where, you know, I love Arlington,
- 22 I'd like to stay, but I'd consider living in a
- 23 different town so I didn't have to deal with this
- 24 burden.

- 1 So I guess what I'd ask you to do is
- 2 make sure that you're really sure because I can't tell
- 3 that you're really sure. I can just tell that you've
- 4 convinced yourselves.
- 5 Thank you.
- 6 (Applause.)
- 7 ALIA ATLAS: Hi. My name is Alia, A-L-
- 8 I-A, Atlas. I live on Magnolia Street.
- 9 And I think the most important part of
- 10 the plan that needs to happen is the signals, is the
- 11 traffic control. I am very fond of the idea of a left
- 12 turn lane at Lake Street and really better signaling
- 13 there. I think the signaling is what controls the
- 14 traffic. It's not how many lanes you have to store
- 15 cars the point. It's not car storage. The point is
- 16 car movement.
- 17 The person who spoke before me, you
- 18 want to know how hard it is to undo? Well, you've
- 19 been arguing just paint the lines differently on the
- 20 street to do a test case. No, that's not a good test
- 21 because it doesn't have the updated traffic lights.
- 22 If you had the updated traffic lights and you really,
- 23 after all the fuss has settled down, and we're used to
- 24 it, we can actually walk there, and cross the street

- 1 safely, and maybe even I, who am not by the way a
- 2 dedicated bicyclist, could go biking up the road, that
- 3 would be really nice. Maybe then, you know, if it's
- 4 an absolute catastrophe, I think Arlington could pony
- 5 up for a few paint -- you know, a few gallons of
- 6 paint. Well, it will work out.
- 7 But the point is we need to get the
- 8 signals there and give it a chance. A lot of this
- 9 reminds me that there's a Piers Anthony book where the
- 10 same character encounters himself as a pedestrian, a
- 11 bicyclist, and a motorist. And each time he thinks
- 12 the others are complete jerks because they all think
- 13 they own the road. And none of us own the road. And
- 14 we're all pedestrians, and we're all -- well, many of
- 15 us are motorists, except my kids, and a lot of us are,
- 16 or would like to believe, that we will be bicyclists.
- 17 And we want to use the road properly.
- 18 I'm an engineer. I'm not a car traffic
- 19 engineer. I do network engineering. But flows are
- 20 flows. And the point of hiring experts is that they
- 21 do a good job. And I think this plan's been very well
- 22 communicated. And I'm hopeful that more people can
- 23 take a really good look at the three lanes that are
- 24 actually there, the left turn lanes that make it

- 1 safer.
- 2 You know, at Bates intersection, and
- 3 somebody is trying to make a left turn, I'd really
- 4 like to have Mass. Ave. controlled safely enough that
- 5 I can cross it without having to scare down drivers
- 6 for several minutes.
- 7 Thank you.
- 8 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you for
- 9 your comment.
- 10 JAY KASSEN: Hi. My name is Jay
- 11 Kassen, K-A-S-S-E-N. I live on Monument Street in
- 12 East Medford. I don't live in Arlington, but because
- 13 this is a state project and it's using state money, I
- 14 felt compelled to come out and voice my support. If
- 15 Arlington decides to ditch this plan and spend, you
- 16 know, half a million dollars of its own money, then,
- 17 you know, more power to you.
- 18 A couple of things that I think are
- 19 worth mentioning. The first is I really appreciate
- 20 the fact that this to me seems to be focused on a lot
- 21 of needs and not just the needs of one wealthy
- 22 demographic. It's really great to see that you're
- 23 counting families, people who walk, and, like myself,
- 24 people who own and drive often and bike.

- 1 This project really reminds me of what
- 2 happened in Brookline along Beacon Street where it was
- 3 the same situation, major thoroughfare. The town went
- 4 and repaved it and improved it in three sections. And
- 5 what happened is it worked out really well. It looks
- 6 really nice. And people are actually coming out, and
- 7 they're walking. The traffic is there slower than it
- 8 was before. It was never that fast to begin with.
- 9 But a lot more people can make really good use of the
- 10 area.
- 11 Same thing in Boston on Commonwealth
- 12 Avenue, almost the exact same situation, a three-part
- 13 phase. It worked out really, really well. They did
- 14 the exact same thing. They eliminated a lane.
- 15 Traffic has not slowed down at all. It's safer.
- 16 Emergency vehicles can get by. And people really
- 17 enjoy being out more often. And that's great. And I
- 18 look forward to seeing that in Arlington. So,
- 19 clearly, there is a track record for doing this and it
- 20 works out well.
- 21 About the biking, I do bike often. And
- 22 in the six years that I've been riding through
- 23 Arlington, I've been noticing more and more and more
- 24 and more and more cyclists. And if you project this

- 1 out to 2028, or whenever the end date is, it's just
- 2 going to increase. These people are not going to go
- 3 away because there are or are not bike lanes.
- 4 Personally, I'm kind of indifferent
- 5 about bike lanes. I don't think they're the greatest
- 6 thing in the world. I'll use them if they're there.
- 7 If they're not, I'm still going to bike. And so is
- 8 everyone else. And the bikes are going to slow down
- 9 all these people that seem to be only concerned with
- 10 moving through Arlington as quickly as they possibly
- 11 can. They don't care about anything else. They just
- 12 want to get as far as they can as quickly as possible.
- 13 By putting the bikes into a dedicated space then you
- 14 get them out of the middle of the road, which is where
- 15 we otherwise have the right to go.
- 16 Last thing. Route 16 is where your
- 17 traffic backups are, not anywhere else. If you
- 18 eliminate Route 16 and that traffic light, you
- 19 wouldn't have traffic backed up on Mass. Ave. But, I
- 20 don't see that happening.
- 21 Thank you very much.
- 22 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- Next?
- 24 MARK KAEPPLEIN: Hi. I'm Mark

- 1 Kaepplein. I live at 11 Palmer Street in Arlington.
- 2 I've been there for 20 years. Previously --
- 3 SELECTMAN DAN DUNN: Last name, Mark?
- 4 MARK KAEPPLEIN: Kaepplien, K-A-E-
- 5 double P-L-E-I-N.
- It's going to be two lanes where I
- 7 live. I want to thank MassDOT for being here.
- 8 Previously -- we've had great attendance here and it's
- 9 because a private citizen sent out a mailing. And the
- 10 Town of Arlington has done a poor job previously in
- 11 getting the public knowing about this project. It
- 12 seems like they're trying to sneak it through and not
- 13 listen to residents.
- Is anyone here -- and I'm disappointed
- 15 with this presentation. The presentation is full of
- 16 distortions, starting with this 10-second saving in
- 17 crossing time. At two-and-a-half feet per second,
- 18 does that mean you're taking 35 feet out of the width
- 19 of the road everywhere or just one place, to use an
- 20 example or make it a broad brush statement? Is that
- 21 every crosswalk?
- 22 RICHARD AZZALINA: Yes, every
- 23 crosswalk.
- 24 MARK KAEPPLEIN: So you're narrowing

- 1 the road by 35 feet?
- 2 RICHARD AZZALINA: We're narrowing
- 3 where the pedestrian has to cross in terms of the
- 4 travel lane in the roadway.
- 5 MARK KAEPPLEIN: Yeah, that makes no
- 6 sense. It sounds like we have plenty of room for an
- 7 extra lane of road to travel in if you're taking out
- 8 35 feet.
- 9 RICHARD AZZALINA: We're taking out --
- 10 well, it's 35 feet, 10 of which is dedicated for
- 11 bicycle accommodation, five feet on each side, two
- 12 additional feet on each side to account for potential
- 13 dooring incidents, and then we have bumpouts, or neck-
- 14 outs, we have curb extensions, which come out another
- 15 six feet on each side.
- MARK KAEPPLEIN: Well, how are they
- 17 going to get doored at a bumpout?
- 18 RICHARD AZZALINA: At a bumpout
- 19 location you would haven't worry about a parked
- 20 vehicle, obviously.
- 21 MARK KAEPPLEIN: It's imaginary. Okay
- 22 For all the data you have, what's the crash reduction
- 23 factor for all the safety features you've put in? How
- 24 many fewer injuries and accidents can we expect

- 1 following all these great improvements? What's your
- 2 estimate for that protection?
- RICHARD AZZALINA: We haven't done --
- 4 MARK KAEPPLEIN: Oh, so this is a
- 5 safety project and you don't know?
- 6 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Sir, please.
- 7 MARK KAEPPLEIN: Okay. All right.
- 8 Another question. There's 225 easements. How much is
- 9 the Town going to spend on that for lawyers, and
- 10 contests, and then the use --
- 11 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: It's coming
- 12 to Town Meeting, this Town Meeting.
- Mike, do you want to talk just very
- 14 briefly about the easements.
- 15 MIKE RADEMACHER: Sure. My name is
- 16 Mike Rademacher, the Public Works Director here in
- 17 Arlington.
- 18 The process for the easements is, like
- 19 Clarissa mentioned, will be brought up at Town
- 20 Meeting. The 200-and-some-odd easements, until we
- 21 know the size, exactly the size of the easements, and
- 22 if any will be donated, or when we have an assessment
- 23 done of what those easements are worth, we will not
- 24 know the exact value until then. It could be anywhere

- 1 from \$100,000 to \$200,000.
- 2 MARK KAEPPLEIN: All right. Another
- 3 point is the bus stop in front of the Capitol Theatre.
- 4 That intersection has the highest crash index and the
- 5 highest pedestrian counting and, yet, the bus stop
- 6 isn't moved. There's a huge conflict between buses
- 7 and turning cars, a big turning spot. And it's crazy
- 8 for a safety project not to move that bus stop two
- 9 blocks east. So that's another distortion. And it's
- 10 really -- it's not about safety. Otherwise, we'd have
- 11 on-demand crossing and bike lanes wouldn't be such a
- 12 high priority.
- Thanks.
- 14 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you for
- 15 the comments.
- 16 (Applause.)
- 17 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Wait.
- 18 Please. We're really trying to get everybody in.
- 19 It's five of ten. MassDOT would like to end at 10:00.
- 20 They've agreed to hear the people that are lined up
- 21 now. If you could please limit your comments to one
- 22 minute or so and only mention things that haven't been
- 23 mentioned before.
- 24 Thank you.

- DREW HITE: My name is Drew Hite, H-I-
- 2 T-E. I live at 33 Varnum Street. And I support the
- 3 plan.
- 4 Thank you.
- 5 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Great.
- 6 (Applause.)
- 7 MICHAEL ROSSI: Good evening. My name
- 8 is Michael Rossi, R-O-S-S-I. I'm an attorney with the
- 9 law firm of Clark, Hunt, Ahern, & Embry in Cambridge.
- 10 Our firm was retained by 2009 by Eric Berger to
- 11 investigate some of the legal implications of this
- 12 project. And, to do that, we've obtained documents
- 13 from the Town from Freedom of Information Act
- 14 requests, including funding applications, traffic
- 15 studies, correspondence, and so forth.
- 16 We've evaluated the DOT's design guide,
- 17 National Highway standards, the Town's functional
- 18 design report, and so forth. And in doing that, one
- 19 thing has become quite clear to us, that the core of
- 20 this project, as far as the Town is concerned, is that
- 21 this is intended to improve safety on the corridor.
- 22 And we've heard that from many of the supporters
- 23 tonight who have expressed concern about safety. The
- 24 real question, and one that we have looked at closely,

- 1 is whether \$5.8 million in safety improvements are
- 2 necessary. Put otherwise, is there really a safety
- 3 problem on Mass. Ave.? The evidence that we've
- 4 reviewed could not be any clearer on this point.
- 5 There is not.
- 6 The Town, through its planners, has put
- 7 forth no evidence that crashes or injuries are on the
- 8 rise on Mass. Ave., nor has there been any evidence in
- 9 the form of data that safety deficiencies warrant such
- 10 a costly and disruptive overhaul of the roadway. In
- 11 fact, the Town's data that's included in its
- 12 functional design report shows that this road is quite
- 13 safe compared to other roads in the Commonwealth. The
- 14 Town's FDR includes crash rates for six study --
- 15 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Attorney
- 16 Rossi, I know you will I'm sure be submitting
- 17 testimony. Could we give the people behind you a
- 18 chance to talk?
- 19 MICHAEL ROSSI: I'll conclude briefly.
- 20 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 21 MICHAEL ROSSI: I've been standing in
- 22 line -- I've been standing in line for about 45
- 23 minutes.
- 24 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: I know you

- 1 have. I appreciate that.
- 2 MICHAEL ROSSI: I'd like to just finish
- 3 this up.
- 4 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Yes.
- 5 MICHAEL ROSSI: Thank you.
- 6 The Town's functional design report
- 7 includes crash rates for six study intersections.
- 8 Just one had a five-year crash rate above the state
- 9 average. The bottom line, not a question for the
- 10 planners here, is where is the data? Where is the
- 11 data showing that there is a safety problem that
- 12 exists on this roadway?
- 13 Thank you.
- 14 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 15 (Applause.)
- 16 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Would you
- 17 like a response to that?
- MICHAEL ROSSI: Yes.
- 19 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Okay. Doug?
- 20 DOUGLAS PRENTISS: Douglas Prentiss
- 21 with FST. Douglas Prentiss with FST.
- 22 The data is in the functional design
- 23 report. If you look at the intersections, there's
- 24 also a table for the lakes, in other words, the

- 1 sections between the intersections. All right? And
- 2 from 2004 to 2008, there were an average of 31
- 3 accidents a year, including fatality, including
- 4 pedestrian injuries, including bicycle injuries. So,
- 5 that data is in there. And I can certainly help you
- 6 afterwards and show you where it is. Okay?
- 7 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Next?
- 8 CONOR MCKENZIE: Hi. My name is Conor
- 9 McKenzie. I live on -- that's C-O-N-O-R, M-C-K-E-N-Z-
- 10 I-E. I live on Elmhurst Road in East Arlington. And
- 11 I just wanted to briefly make a few comments to
- 12 express my support for this project.
- Basically, what I'd like to say is that
- 14 the residents of Arlington, some of us bike, some of
- 15 us drive, some of us walk, some of us take transit.
- 16 People drive because they have long commutes. Some
- 17 people drive because they have to. Some people bike
- 18 because they have to. Some people bike because they
- 19 can't afford to drive. Some people bike for health
- 20 reasons. People walk because they're too young to
- 21 drive or they're elderly. The point is, is that
- 22 safety -- is that it's our shared main street and we
- 23 all have an equal right to enjoy a safe thoroughfare,
- 24 a safe main street that's a way to get around. And I

- 1 think this plan does an admiral job of taking into
- 2 account all users and I support the plan.
- Thank you.
- 4 (Applause.)
- 5 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Keep it to
- 6 one minute if you can, please.
- 7 ROBIN JOHNSON: Sure. My name is Robin
- 8 Johnson. I live at 26 Chandler Street in Arlington.
- 9 And that's R-O-B-I-N, J-O-H-N-S-O-N.
- I guess I just want to speak in support
- 11 of the project. I live in East Arlington. I can say
- 12 that as a patron of businesses in East Arlington, I
- 13 use the businesses on my side of Mass. Ave. more than
- 14 I would -- more than I do the businesses on the other
- 15 side, simply because it's so difficult and so fraught
- 16 to cross Mass. Ave. with the cars going 40 or 50 miles
- 17 an hour.
- 18 And the only -- the other comment I
- 19 have -- I don't know if this is done in Massachusetts,
- 20 but if you could put the street signs, like the names
- 21 of the streets at the stop lights on the corridor.
- 22 And that's what they do in Florida. That way, the
- 23 street signs, if you can see them in the dark that
- 24 might help, too. But just put the street signs, for

- 1 God sakes, just put them where people are already
- 2 looking.
- 3 (Applause.)
- 4 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 5 CAROL SWEENEY: Hi. I will make it
- 6 very quick. My name is Carol Sweeney. I have been an
- 7 Arlington resident for about 20 years. And I want to
- 8 thank everyone for coming out, particularly the state
- 9 folks, because this has been a long process.
- I have to say there are clearly
- 11 elements of this plan that I absolutely support. But,
- 12 as a resident of Lake Street, Lake Street we have
- 13 beared more than our fair share of traffic problems
- 14 over the years. I think our partner, or sister
- 15 street, Pleasant Street, the two of us are the worst.
- 16 When we first moved here, our hope was
- 17 that the Town would find ways to improve the traffic
- 18 situation for us. I do not believe that safety is the
- 19 exclusive problem of Massachusetts Avenue. I would
- 20 argue that Lake Street is less safe in many instances
- 21 than Mass. Ave. People who live on Lake Street, this
- 22 is our neighborhood. This is where we live. This is
- 23 where our families all congregate. That they are
- 24 afraid and cannot cross Lake Street, a two-lane road,

- 1 for a minimum of four hours of day, that is no
- 2 exaggeration.
- 3 So, over the years, I haven't really
- 4 seen the improvements. My hope is that with a \$5
- 5 million plus price tag that there would be an
- 6 opportunity in this project to improve the situation
- 7 for the residents of Lake Street. And I've come to
- 8 some meetings. I haven't quite heard that yet. But I
- 9 would encourage all the representatives, I think this
- 10 is a perfect opportunity to do that for those of us
- 11 who have lived here for many years, who own beautiful
- 12 pieces of property, and pay our fair share of taxes to
- 13 the town and the state.
- 14 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you
- 15 very much.
- 16 CAROL SWEENEY: Okay.
- 17 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Mr. Fiore.
- 18 PETER FIORE: Peter Fiore, Mott Street.
- 19 I've been a Town Meeting Member for 15 years and I'm a
- 20 card carrying pedestrian.
- I came here tonight with a guy from the
- 22 Livable Streets Coalition who was handing out leaflets
- 23 down on the way to Alewife, so I kind of got convinced
- 24 to come and scope this out. But I've got to tell you,

- 1 this level of anger and hostility, this can't be good
- 2 for the community. And I don't feel I can support
- 3 this project at this time. When it's at the point
- 4 where whether it lives or dies, half my neighbors are
- 5 going to feel that they lost.
- 6 So, I don't know what you're going to
- 7 do, but you've got to do something to address all the
- 8 concerns.
- 9 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you,
- 10 Peter. I echo your sentiments.
- 11 DAVID WATSON: David Watson, W-A-T-S-O-
- 12 N, 170 Franklin Street. I'm a biker, I'm a walker, I
- 13 drive on Mass. Ave., I take the bus. I'm on it almost
- 14 every day. I'm also a bicycle advocate in the
- 15 interest of full disclosure.
- 16 But I want to talk about balance. And
- 17 we need to balance the modes. And I think the plan
- 18 does an admirable job of balancing different modes.
- 19 But we also need to balance safety and convenience.
- 20 And safety doesn't just mean looking at the crash
- 21 rates and statistics. It means looking at how it
- 22 feels when you're doing it. And I can't tell you the
- 23 number of times that I have run across Mass. Ave., you
- 24 know. And I'm pretty good at dodging traffic. I

- 1 cannot tell you the number of times I've been riding
- 2 to work on my bike and cars have brushed by me within
- 3 inches. And unless that has happened to you, you
- 4 don't know what that feels like. And that is an
- 5 important part of your safety considerations. And I
- 6 urge everyone to think about that.
- 7 Thank you.
- 8 (Applause.)
- 9 RICHARD TIBBETTS: Hello. Richard
- 10 Tibbetts, T-I-B-B-E-T-T-S, at 20 Eliot Road. I
- 11 previously lived on the other side of Mass. Ave. on
- 12 Harlow Street.
- I'm in support of the project. I'm
- 14 actually one of those parents who had to put the
- 15 children to bed. I'm here on behalf of myself and my
- 16 wife.
- 17 This is actually the first time I've
- 18 shown up at a community meeting in support of
- 19 something. I actually share that because my
- 20 experience is that only the angry against it people
- 21 show up. And I've actually received a bunch of
- 22 disingenuous mailers about the project with a bunch of
- 23 sort of misleading information.
- I've been in support of the project

- 1 since it started. I was impressed by the original
- 2 plan. And I notice that almost all of the questions
- 3 have been asked by people who are opposed to the
- 4 project. So, I wondered if you'd be open to a
- 5 question from someone who supports the project.
- 6 My question is, I notice that you
- 7 changed from an original two-lane plan to the new
- 8 three-lane plan. And I wonder if that is actually the
- 9 right thing to have done or if that was just done to
- 10 sort of mitigate some of the challenges you were
- 11 having. It feels like you may be overemphasizing cars
- 12 in the current plan versus what I would expect, for
- 13 example, my experience in Ann Arbor, Michigan, with a
- 14 similar project that was done there.
- So, if anybody could speak to whether
- 16 it's actually what they wanted to do, that's --
- 17 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Okay. I'm
- 18 really sorry, but these wonderful people from MassDOT
- 19 need to go home. I will stay and listen and take
- 20 notes until everybody that's spoken once has spoken.
- 21 If you'd like us to, I will listen. But I think the
- 22 most important thing is for Kim to talk about how
- 23 other people can comment. We had 300 cards. We got
- 24 through -- it jumped around. We understand there are

- 1 a lot more people that want to speak. And I'm really
- 2 sorry, but I really don't think it's fair for them to
- 3 have to stay any longer. I will stay until you all
- 4 want to go to bed.
- 5 AUDIENCE: They need to hear. That's
- 6 their job.
- 7 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Their job is
- 8 not to stay past 10:00, honestly. And what I can ask
- 9 people to do is make comments in written form.
- 10 AUDIENCE: Our comments are directed to
- 11 --
- 12 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Okay.
- MODERATOR SLOAN: If we could -- maybe
- 14 if people -- we would really like to hear everyone who
- 15 has waited so patiently in line, but perhaps maybe we
- 16 could speed it up really quick.
- 17 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Speed it up.
- 18 Okay.
- 19 MODERATOR SLOAN: And then if somebody
- 20 has something to say, because we're starting to hear
- 21 the same comments over and over.
- 22 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: The same
- 23 thing. Okay. So any --
- 24 MODERATOR SLOAN: So if you don't have

- 1 anything different to say, I would encourage you --
- 2 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: The short
- 3 lady in the back with the pink on, and that should be
- 4 the end of the line really. Okay.
- 5 MODERATOR SLOAN: And the other option
- 6 is if you don't want to wait any longer, there's a
- 7 comment sheet that you can fill out right in the
- 8 brochure, and you can hand it up to me tonight and it
- 9 will become part of the official record. But you also
- 10 have 10 days to mail that into MassDOT and that will
- 11 become part of the official record. So you have 10
- 12 days to do that.
- 13 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: And we will
- 14 be putting this up on the website tomorrow. So
- 15 anybody that didn't have a chance to speak and wants
- 16 to include their comments in whatever form, you can go
- 17 to the Town website and get the address of where you
- 18 can send your comments. They should be sent in the
- 19 next 10 days.
- 20 But let's, please, one minute or less.
- 21 Only say things we haven't heard before. Please.
- 22 Thank you.
- 23 ADAM LANE: Adam Lane, 77 Grafton
- 24 Street. That's L-A-N-E.

- 1 I'd like to thank everyone for staying
- 2 up past their bedtime.
- 3 And I was drawn -- my wife and I were
- 4 drawn to Arlington by the wonderful business district
- 5 of East Arlington, the sense of community. I think
- 6 the plan is good and supports those businesses. I
- 7 think the owners have legitimate concerns about
- 8 accommodation of delivery vehicles and disruption of
- 9 business during construction. I hope as the plan
- 10 moves forward, every effort will be made to
- 11 accommodate that, and I think it will really improve
- 12 the quality of life in Arlington and Medford greatly.
- 13 Thank you.
- 14 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 15 ANTHONY CIPOLLE: Anthony Cipolle, 19
- 16 Philemon Street.
- I think the plan is responsible in
- 18 terms of safety. I spent the afternoon dealing with
- 19 two insurance companies and the Massachusetts
- 20 Department of Insurance. One of the insurance
- 21 companies plans on getting ahead of this and
- 22 increasing their rates for the people in this stack
- 23 code, in this territory and zip code, due to the plan.
- 24 I think a bike lane will be an increased exposure to

- 1 risk for the insurance companies and they plan on
- 2 increasing our auto insurance. I think part of that
- 3 will be -- the reason for that is you haven't
- 4 addressed police presence. The laws are not being
- 5 enforced now. And that's why the cars and bikes
- 6 aren't getting along. So, part of it is Arlington
- 7 needs to increase police presence and enforce the laws
- 8 we do have.
- 9 That's the only thing that you haven't
- 10 heard.
- 11 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 12 Thank you for keeping it brief.
- 13 CAROLYN WHITE: Carolyn White, 260
- 14 Massachusetts Ave. And I grew up in Arlington. And,
- 15 Carolyn White, W-H-I-T-E, 260 Mass. Ave. I grew up in
- 16 Arlington. And I moved back here about two years ago.
- 17 I live right near the corner of Orvis and Mass. Ave.
- 18 in front of the bus stop.
- I support the plan. I thank you for
- 20 your work. I thank you for the amount of community
- 21 meetings you've had, these meetings that you've had,
- 22 and the committee that you put together that
- 23 represents people from that part of Town.
- I am concerned about being able to

- 1 cross Mass. Ave. with or without children. And as
- 2 someone who is a fair-weather commuter by bicycle, I
- 3 would love to see more cyclists follow the rules
- 4 better and the bike lanes actually help them do that.
- 5 I am also concerned about the cross
- 6 traffic into the side neighborhoods. The Garmins
- 7 right now will tell people not to take the turn at
- 8 Lake Street and Mass. Ave. And it will tell them how
- 9 to turn into the neighborhood by the Hardy School and
- 10 go down Orvis Street. People are already doing this
- 11 and they will continue to do this in the future. And
- 12 I hope you consider bump-up crosswalks in certain
- 13 parts to slow them down.
- 14 I also hope that you will consider a
- 15 light at the bike lane that is in conjunction with the
- 16 light at Orvis Street so that a green light at the
- 17 bike lane, a green light at Orvis Street. That way it
- 18 will cut down on the people coming down Orvis and
- 19 coming down Fairmont and the other streets onto
- 20 Brooks, and it will increase use of people for Lake
- 21 Street. It may help the traffic.
- Thank you.
- 23 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 24 RACHAEL STARK: My name is Rachael

- 1 Stark, R-A-C-H-A-E-L, S-T-A-R-K. I live in East
- 2 Arlington on Randolph Street. I've lived in Arlington
- 3 for 14 years. My daughter grew up in Arlington and my
- 4 husband died unexpectedly four years ago and is buried
- 5 here in Arlington, so I am committed to Arlington.
- 6 We residents of Arlington share Mass.
- 7 Ave. Mass. Ave. was laid out in the 1630s. We have to
- 8 do the best we can with it now. We drive. We walk.
- 9 We shop. We take our kids. We take the bus. We walk
- 10 our kids to school. We do a lot of different things
- 11 with it. They all have to be accommodated. We all
- 12 deserve to be safe. We deserve to be able to get up
- 13 and down Mass. Ave. We deserve to be able to get
- 14 across Mass. Ave.
- 15 I'm the founder and chair of Walking in
- 16 Arlington. We try to make it safer and pleasanter to
- 17 walk in Arlington. And anyone who thinks we don't
- 18 need that has never tried to cross Mass. Ave.
- 19 What we need also -- I support the
- 20 project. I think it's not perfect. I think it's a
- 21 reasonable compromise. We do need traffic enforcement
- 22 for pedestrians, and bicyclists, and motorists. The
- 23 traffic enforcement is terrible. So, I would like to
- 24 see if any of us break the traffic law, we deserve to

- 1 be ticketed. Anybody. We all need to be safe.
- 2 So, I support the project, but I also
- 3 support much stronger increased traffic enforcement.
- 4 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Look at me
- 5 when you say that, not them.
- 6 RACHAEL STARK: All of you, everyone.
- 7 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 8 DAVID D'ANTONIO: My name is David
- 9 D'Antonio. That's D-apostrophe-capital A-N-T-O-N-I-O.
- 10 And I live at 65 Randolph Street.
- I'm a newcomer to Arlington. And I am
- 12 frustrated about this plan. I couldn't believe what I
- 13 was hearing. I would like to particular issues that I
- 14 haven't really heard addressed much. The first is the
- 15 bus lane, bus relocations. And I do a fair amount of
- 16 walking in Arlington. And when I am trying to take a
- 17 bus, I usually see like three. And there's bus
- 18 bunching. And I don't see how it's going to work with
- 19 a one-lane road. Even if there are bus cutouts for
- 20 the bus to pull in, then there is going to be a bus or
- 21 two behind that one. And I don't think there's going
- 22 to be enough room. And I especially don't think
- 23 there's going to be enough room when it snows. We all
- 24 saw what the snow can do this year, and it's not

- 1 supposed to be any less in the future years. And I
- 2 don't believe that there's going to be enough room
- 3 between buses and cleared bike lanes and one lane of
- 4 traffic going west.
- 5 Thank you.
- 6 NANCY LOWE: Hi. My name is Nancy
- 7 Lowe. I live on Harlow Street in East Arlington.
- 8 And when I first came to Arlington,
- 9 which was many years ago, I lived about 300 feet from
- 10 Mass. Ave. And I drove on Mass. Ave. And people
- 11 would be honking behind me because I thought it was a
- 12 one-lane road because there are no lines in it.
- So, I'm really looking forward to these
- 14 improvements. I was really impressed with the
- 15 presentation. I love to walk around Arlington. East
- 16 Arlington is a great spot to go to. You know, you
- 17 have the cleaners and all these other things.
- 18 But I will say I'm terrified of
- 19 crossing Mass. Ave. I've had two close friends, if
- 20 you want to talk about how secure or how safe it is,
- 21 I've had two friends hit at the crosswalk two
- 22 different times going across by Sabatino's. And I
- 23 don't want my daughter crossing where there's not a
- 24 light.

- 1 So, I'm looking forward to these
- 2 improvements and having a shorter distance for
- 3 pedestrians to get across. I like the idea of the
- 4 bumpouts.
- 5 The one thing that has been mentioned,
- 6 but I would like to reiterate as well, is I'm not
- 7 quite sure how this is going to work with the delivery
- 8 piece. And I do think that is something that has to
- 9 be addressed. And it's just going to cause some
- 10 problems with parking.
- 11 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: One of the
- 12 things we'll do with these comments is we will answer
- 13 some of them. We didn't want to take up time today.
- 14 I mean the construction sequencing, no business will
- 15 be closed. You know, the delivery has been thought
- 16 about. But we're trying not to interrupt people.
- 17 NANCY LOWE: I meant in terms of just
- 18 on a daily basis because if those trucks end up
- 19 blocking the bike lane, or parking, or whatever, how
- 20 that's going to be addressed.
- 21 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Right. Thank
- 22 you.
- NANCY LOWE: Thanks. I'm really in
- 24 favor of the project.

- 1 EDWARD STARR: It's Edward Starr, with
- 2 two Rs, S-T-A-R-R.
- 3 Contrary to the conventional research,
- 4 the first public meeting on lane configuration for
- 5 Mass. Avenue was held at the Fox Library on April 9<sup>th</sup>,
- 6 2002. This was nine years ago last Saturday. And we
- 7 have now started our 10<sup>th</sup> year on this project.
- 8 A second study of Mass. Avenue was done
- 9 in 2005. By the way, that study was done by Louis
- 10 Berger Associates. The discussion was results of what
- 11 they had presented. The second study was done in 2005
- 12 by VHB. And we now have a third study by FST, all
- 13 coming out with the same results. I think the Town
- 14 has done a very thorough job of examining that and I
- 15 thank you very much.
- 16 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 17 ALAN FRANK: My name is Alan Frank, A-
- 18 L-A-N, F-R-A-N-K. I've been at 35 Gardner Street for
- 19 about 17 years.
- I use Mass. Ave. to drive, bike, walk,
- 21 shop, and ride the bus. And, as a driver, my first
- 22 encounter with Mass. Ave. is trying to get onto it and
- 23 trying to see over the vans and the SUVs that didn't
- 24 exist when Mass. Ave. was originally laid out, and I

- 1 don't mean 400 years ago. The bumpouts are going to
- 2 make it much easier.
- 3 And then when you get on Mass. Ave.,
- 4 people have made comments about the so-called
- 5 reduction from four lanes. It's not four lanes. It's
- 6 a left -- it's a westbound free for all and an
- 7 eastbound free for all. And that's fine at a bumper
- 8 car concession, but I don't want it on a public
- 9 highway.
- 10 As a biker, I'd like to thank you for
- 11 the bike lanes, for the bike paths that have been
- 12 added over the last several years. That's how I get
- 13 to work now. It's a lot less stressful. And it
- 14 really helps me get through the work day because I
- 15 haven't been dealing with traffic, riding my bike.
- 16 Bike lanes are going to make it a lot
- 17 safer to ride my bike on Mass. Ave. with my kids.
- 18 People have mentioned the bike path as an alternative.
- 19 That's like telling people to take Route 2 to get from
- 20 here to the Capitol Theatre. It's not practical.
- 21 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Okay. Could
- 22 you finish up?
- 23 ALAN FRANK: As a walker, crossing at
- 24 Cleveland Street in the evening, I feel like I'm

- 1 playing Frogger. The bumpouts and the median is
- 2 really going to make it a lot safer.
- And, thank you.
- 4 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 5 JUDITH BUTLER: Hi. My name is Judith
- 6 Butler and I live in Somerville. And I'm opposed to
- 7 this project.
- 8 I think of this Mass. Avenue as a spine
- 9 from Bedford and Concord, through Lexington,
- 10 Arlington, Cambridge, over to West Rox -- I mean to
- 11 Roxbury, right through Boston. I think anything that
- 12 inhibits or impedes the flow, the circulation, is
- 13 detrimental. And I just think there's nothing wrong
- 14 with having a wider space on a road. People should
- 15 know their lanes. I don't think bike lanes are
- 16 necessary, nor do I think bumpouts are necessary. In
- 17 fact, I think they're dangerous. People need to know
- 18 their own lane and drive in it safely.
- 19 And, also, I mean I'm aware that as
- 20 both a bicyclist or a pedestrian or a driver, we all
- 21 tend to be selfish and be thinking in terms of our own
- 22 self. We do need to be more mindful. But I don't
- 23 think you need to legislate this. You just need to
- 24 educate people more.

- 1 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 2 (Applause.)
- 3 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Go ahead.
- 4 SHUNSUKE YAMAGUCHI: My name is
- 5 Shunsuke Yamaguchi. That's S-H-U-N-S-U-K-E, the last
- 6 name is Yamaguchi, Y-A-M-A-G-U-C-H-I. And I live on
- 7 221 Mass. Ave. And I have a 14, 10, and a three-year
- 8 old. I take the bus back from picking up my daughter
- 9 and my son, we can never make that light across on
- 10 Lake Street, Capitol to our side on time. I've seen
- 11 bicyclists turn over because the roads are really bad.
- 12 My son's now biking all over to his baseball
- 13 practices. And I'm all for it. But I hope the roads
- 14 area going to be fixed and bike lanes -- if that means
- 15 bike lanes, I think that's great. I'm all for it.
- 16 One thing. They are saying two lanes,
- 17 two lanes. But, Mass. Ave. is more like six lanes.
- 18 And in the summertime, people floor it, especially on
- 19 the weekends. And if anything were to slow it down, I
- 20 think it's great.
- 21 Thank you very much.
- 22 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 23 PHIL GOFF: My name is Phil Goff, G-O-
- 24 F-F. I'm at 94 Grafton Street. I'm the co-chair of

- 1 East Arlington Livable Streets Coalition.
- I think the comments on both sides have
- 3 been great. To be honest, I don't have any new
- 4 comments to add to those. However, I did receive --
- 5 it might sound kind of odd -- but I received an
- 6 anonymous email from a business owner on Mass. Ave.
- 7 who requested that I read his testimony. It's a very
- 8 short letter. So, I think it will surprise more
- 9 business owners here. So I will just read this very
- 10 quickly. I think it's relatively interesting.
- 11 "As a local business owner for more
- 12 than a decade, I view this project as I would any
- 13 public works project with hesitation. They do not
- 14 routinely go as according to plan, which hurts the
- 15 businesses who must suffer through the project's
- 16 construction. There are, however, two very important
- 17 aspects of this project that will be positive to the
- 18 neighborhood upon completion. The pedestrian lighting
- 19 after widening the sidewalks will create a wonderful
- 20 evening shopping and dining environment.
- 21 Having almost been a victim of a hit
- 22 and run on a few occasions personally, as well as a
- 23 spectator to this on a daily basis near Lake Street, I
- 24 believe the shortened crossing time, which will come

- 1 from the building of bumpouts, will definitely make it
- 2 safer to cross Mass. Ave. and to get to a destination
- 3 without needing to catch your breath from the shock of
- 4 almost being hit by a car. We will..."
- 5 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Phil, can you
- 6 --
- 7 PHIL GOFF: Yeah, that's it.
- 8 Sincerely, anonymous business owner.
- 9 I'd like you to take that into account.
- 10 Thank you.
- 11 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 12 ADAM LORENZ: Adam Lorenz, L-O-R-E-N-Z.
- 13 I'm at 61 Palmer Street in Arlington. I'm speaking
- 14 also on behalf of my wife who is home with our two
- 15 kids. And she's been teaching the two of them how to
- 16 playing Frogger multiple times of day going across
- 17 Mass. Ave. And I'm looking forward to having the
- 18 breaks in the midpoints.
- 19 And we would be strong advocates of
- 20 this project primarily for the improved pedestrian
- 21 crossings and improvements to the sidewalks in
- 22 general, which will improve the East Arlington
- 23 community, I believe.
- 24 And, finally, the bike lanes play a

- 1 very important role I think in improving and reducing
- 2 the number of -- total number of vehicle miles
- 3 traveled.
- 4 And, lastly, with all of those
- 5 benefits, I would actually be in favor of this project
- 6 even if it did impede traffic flow, but I am a strong
- 7 believer in that a lot of engineering has gone into
- 8 this and experimental evidence in other communities
- 9 have shown that this improved flow will actually
- 10 increase the speed of, you know, from Point A to Point
- 11 B destinations. So, I think I'm a strong advocate.
- 12 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 13 STEVE KAISER: My name is Steve Kaiser,
- 14 K-A-I-S-E-R, as you know.
- 15 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Can you give
- 16 your address, Steve?
- 17 STEVE KAISER: 191 Hamilton Street in
- 18 Cambridge.
- In my four decades of being involved in
- 20 the transportation field, I've met with a large number
- 21 of consultants. And, let me tell you who the
- 22 consultant to design this project would be, my number
- 23 one choice. His name is Rick Azzalina.
- 24 But because I say that doesn't mean

- 1 he's perfect. Nobody's perfect. They make mistakes.
- 2 He made a couple of mistakes tonight, so let me just
- 3 point them out.
- 4 One is tackling the issue of safety.
- 5 Right? Because as soon as he did that, people then
- 6 asked him, "Well, how many accidents do you think
- 7 you're going to get through safety? How many
- 8 accidents are you going to get in the future?" Nobody
- 9 knows. Nobody knows how to do it. They study it in
- 10 the State of Massachusetts, in the Department of
- 11 Transportation, in the entire United States. Nobody
- 12 knows how to do anything like that, just tell us how
- 13 many accidents to expect in the future.
- So, it wasn't your mistake that you
- 15 didn't know the answer. It's our society's mistake
- 16 that we don't know better and know how to understand
- 17 safety.
- 18 The other thing was an omission, which
- 19 was bottlenecks. We shouldn't use that word because
- 20 Route 16 is the bottleneck here. When you started
- 21 hinting that this is the meter, the traffic meter, and
- 22 limits the traffic that goes in here and that would
- 23 justify the one lane northbound --
- 24 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you,

- 1 Steve.
- 2 STEVE KAISER: One last quick sentence.
- 3 Okay?
- 4 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Okay. You're
- 5 over your minute though.
- 6 STEVE KAISER: Around the issue of
- 7 winter conditions, we went through that in January in
- 8 Cambridge. We lost all our bike lanes, and most of
- 9 the drivers lost their parking spaces, so it was even
- 10 steven. So that's the way I explain winter. It's
- 11 hard for anybody to get through winter. And just as
- 12 long as it's even, things work out.
- 13 Thank you.
- 14 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 15 (Applause.)
- 16 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Hold that
- 17 microphone right near her.
- 18 Yes, wait a minute. Mr. Azzalina would
- 19 like to say something.
- 20 RICHARD AZZALINA: Yeah, Steve, I feel
- 21 compelled to answer your first question at least with
- 22 regard to the accident reduction. I have done some
- 23 research on this. And there has been -- I've done a
- 24 tremendous amount of research actually. And there has

- 1 been a catalog of information worldwide that
- 2 demonstrates that these types of improvements, some
- 3 people may refer to them as road diets. Some people
- 4 refer to them as traffic calming measures, whatever
- 5 the case, however you want to refer to it as. But
- 6 projects that have been built see roughly a 65 percent
- 7 reduction in the number of accidents, 65 to 75 percent
- 8 reduction, which is significant. And, a lot of these
- 9 projects have been done in this country and worldwide.
- I am aware that there is a large
- 11 reduction in accidents. I just didn't know how it
- 12 related to this particular location and the volumes
- 13 that we're contending with. You know, it's something
- 14 that we can do an assessment to determine what that
- 15 may be and provide the information to you. But, in
- 16 general, one can expect roughly a 65 percent reduction
- 17 in total number of accidents.
- 18 And to respond to your other question
- 19 about -- your other comment about Route 16, I probably
- 20 did take a little liberty there with calling it a
- 21 bottleneck. But, as you know, whatever happens at
- 22 Route 16 has a tremendous impact obviously on Mass.
- 23 Ave. And, right now, Route 16 is, in fact, a terribly
- 24 congested intersection. And as far as this project,

- 1 however, we're actually improving the time in that
- 2 location as well. So, there should be some additional
- 3 advantages in that regard.
- 4 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Okay. Thank
- 5 you, Rick.
- 6 Please, go ahead. Say your name and be
- 7 very brief because I really want them to be able to go
- 8 in about two minutes. Six minutes.
- 9 PATRICIA CLEWS: Thank you very much
- 10 for your time and patience and everything. My name is
- 11 Patricia Clews, C-L-E-W-S, S as in Sam. My address is
- 12 11 Pondview Road. And I have been a lifelong East
- 13 Arlington resident. And the reason why I am here
- 14 tonight is because I am a lifelong East Arlington
- 15 resident.
- 16 I enjoyed growing up, going to the 5
- 17 and 10, all those things that I know what it is like
- 18 to live in East Arlington previously. I lived on
- 19 Henderson Street before moving to Pondview Road.
- I would just briefly say, in coming
- 21 here tonight I know that someone did speak about Lake
- 22 Street. And I didn't realize when I was in line that
- 23 that was going to happen. So, my concern is how this
- 24 is going to affect Lake Street.

- 1 And, just an anecdote, in coming here
- 2 tonight, my mom and I were going to come, we left the
- 3 house at 6:30 and could not access Lake Street to come
- 4 by back Mass. Ave. So, we had to go up Route 2, come
- 5 down Concord Ave., so forth and so on, to be able to
- 6 come here tonight to listen to you all. So, I thank
- 7 you very much. My concern is the impact of us being
- 8 able to access in and out of our street to get to and
- 9 fro, especially to get to Mass. Ave.
- 10 So, thank you very much. And I love
- 11 living in Arlington. And I thank you for all that
- 12 you've done. Thank you for allowing me to speak.
- 13 RICHARD CAHILL: My name is Richard
- 14 Cahill. I live at -- C-A-H-I-L-L. I live at 114 Spy
- 15 Pond Parkway in Arlington.
- 16 I either walk, bike, or drive on Mass.
- 17 Avenue every single day. It's a race track. And
- 18 anybody who thinks differently -- and I asked Mrs.
- 19 Romano to stand with me on Mass. Avenue at Dunkin'
- 20 Donuts, but she couldn't make it she said.
- In any event, I couldn't help laugh
- 22 this afternoon when I read a letter to the Town
- 23 Manager for a law firm implying negligence and Town
- 24 liability due to this proposal of the MassHighway.

- 1 That same law firm sits and enjoys an office on the
- 2 Charles River at 55 Cambridge Parkway that is one of
- 3 the most recently cordoned off and restricted traffic
- 4 calmed roadways in New England. What's good for that
- 5 law firm is good for all of the citizens and the
- 6 businesspeople of Arlington. We deserve no less. As
- 7 a matter of fact, we deserve better. And that's what
- 8 we're asking you for. We're asking the Department of
- 9 Transportation to stop the chaos, to shut down Mass.
- 10 Avenue, eliminate the Arlington Expressway, and open
- 11 it up to the good citizens, give it back to the
- 12 taxpayers and to the residents of Arlington.
- 13 A gentleman spoke here earlier tonight.
- 14 And he is familiar with Central Square, but not as
- 15 well as I am. I've lived and worked there all my
- 16 life. What he didn't tell you was that there's a 75
- 17 percent reduction in accidents including pedestrians
- 18 in Central Square. Traffic calming works in
- 19 Arlington. Go to Arlington Heights, it works there.
- 20 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Sir.
- 21 RICHARD CAHILL: Cross from Wanamaker's
- 22 Hardware to D'Agostino's. It's a piece of cake. Now
- 23 go down to 200 Mass. Ave. Go to Olympic Pizza. Try
- 24 to cross the street. You must have your glasses to

- 1 get to the Arlington Vision Center. You would never,
- 2 never make it.
- 3 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Sir, can you
- 4 -- I'm sorry.
- 5 RICHARD CAHILL: There's no enforcement
- 6 problem on Mass. Avenue. You could have 100 cops
- 7 there. It's an engineering problem, which you people
- 8 have addressed.
- 9 I ask you to stop the chaos. We all
- 10 want Arlington to be a place where you drive to not
- 11 through.
- 12 Thank you.
- 13 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 14 (Applause.)
- 15 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: All right.
- 16 Do try to keep it to one minute. It was going to be
- 17 six minutes, and it's now six minutes later. So, wrap
- 18 it up please so these nice people can go home.
- 19 DANIEL GOLDSMITH: Hello. My name is
- 20 Daniel Goldsmith. I live at 276 Mass. Ave., just
- 21 across the street from Bates Road.
- 22 STENOGRAPHER: Your last name?
- DANIEL GOLDSMITH: Goldsmith. And I
- 24 commute down Lake Street every day to work. As I'm

- 1 doing that, I get to sit in the traffic that can be
- 2 very intense at times.
- 3 However, do I think this whole -- this
- 4 project is worth it? I think so. I would just -- I
- 5 think that although all the construction is going to -
- 6 that this is going to cause is going to make traffic
- 7 worse for a while while construction is going on, I
- 8 view this as growing pains. I would challenge you, as
- 9 you're working on the project, to make sure that the
- 10 timing stays on schedule so that we don't have
- 11 something like the Big Dig where it kind of keeps on
- 12 going on longer than originally expected.
- I don't think the plan is perfect. I
- 14 think there's a lot of compromises. However, I think
- 15 doing anything is an improvement -- adding lane lines,
- 16 making it more walkable.
- I haven't lived in -- I've lived in
- 18 Arlington now for three years. But I will say that
- 19 it's been also very good to see all the people coming
- 20 out to talk about this. So, thank you.
- 21 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 22 DOUGLAS DAVIDOFF: Hello. My name is
- 23 Douglas Davidoff, D as in David, A, V as in Victor, I-
- 24 D as in David, O, double F as in French fry. I live

- 1 at 45 Fairmont Street at the east end of the project
- 2 area, and I happen to work at 366 Mass. Avenue at the
- 3 west end of the project.
- I have a letter which I will drop in
- 5 the box explaining my reasons for favoring the
- 6 project. But I think the one word that I've heard
- 7 tonight that I like a lot is balance, and the second
- 8 word that I like a lot is the complexity of the
- 9 project and the care with which all of its
- 10 complexities have been addressed.
- 11 Thank you very much. And I would
- 12 encourage MassDOT to support the Town.
- 13 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Thank you.
- 14 Good time management there. Okay.
- ANDREW BENGTSON: Andrew Bengtson, B-E-
- 16 N-G George, T Tom, S Sam, O-N, 15 Allen Street in East
- 17 Arlington.
- 18 Allen Street ends at Mass. Ave. in a
- 19 really wide mouth right now, 80 feet. And what it
- 20 encourages is a lot of people are driving the wrong
- 21 way up that one-way street. There's a lot of young
- 22 families, a lot of young kids on Allen Street right
- 23 now, and a newborn, 10 days old -- not mine. But my
- 24 wife would kill me if I were here and she were home

- 1 with a 10-day old. Anyway, what's nice, and what I
- 2 like about and thank the designers for, is that that
- 3 mouth has been constricted to 40 feet. And I think
- 4 that it will discourage people from driving the wrong
- 5 way up Allen Street and off Mass. Ave.
- 6 So, I thank the designers for that.
- 7 And that detail, I believe, is representative of all
- 8 the details, or many of the details that I have looked
- 9 at on the plan, the raised median and so on. So,
- 10 thank you. Thanks.
- 11 MARCI SHAPIRO-IDE: Hi. My name is
- 12 Marci Shapiro-Ide, S-H-A-P-I-R-O, Ide, I-D-E. I live
- 13 at 152 Lake Street here in Arlington.
- 14 And, in December of 2000, I was
- 15 actually hit in a crosswalk crossing from Grafton
- 16 Street over Mass. Ave. And I'm so glad that this is
- 17 finally happening. I've been trying for 10 years in
- 18 my own small way to always try to get something done
- 19 about that one crosswalk. And now I'm so pleased to
- 20 see that something is being done about all of East
- 21 Arlington. And I hope that there have been a lot of
- 22 voices tonight that have been in support of this
- 23 project. And there's a lot of people trying to stop
- 24 it because they're scare of change. And we're all

- 1 scare of change. But to keep things the same is just
- 2 not working. And I am just very lucky I'm standing
- 3 here before you 10 years later, 11 years later, to say
- 4 that, you know, please do something.
- 5 And I just had one question, and I know
- 6 you can't answer it tonight. But I was pleased about
- 7 the -- I know there are some of those buttons that you
- 8 can push so that it only stop -- the light goes red
- 9 only when there are people crossing. And I was just
- 10 curious if that had been looked at in this project for
- 11 some of the places where there aren't actually walks.
- 12 So, if you could answer that. Thank you.
- 13 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: I believe our
- 14 last participant.
- 15 PAM DIBONA: Yes. My name is Pam
- 16 Dibona, D-I-B as in Boy, O-N-A. And I live at 77
- 17 Grafton Street. And I have ditched my own comments,
- 18 which I will offer in written form. And, instead, I
- 19 will give you my 10 year old daughter's comments
- 20 because she was here for the first hour and saw your
- 21 presentation but then it's bedtime. So she texted me
- 22 what I should say.
- 23 If you speak, remember your name and
- 24 address and where you live. Remember to say that

- 1 first I have an idea. But one thing you could say,
- 2 well, my kids are sometimes scared of getting hit, and
- 3 it would be better because they would be safe.
- 4 Remember not to say our names when you talk. Please
- 5 promise to say other things, too. And you only have
- 6 three minutes to talk.
- 7 Thank you all very much for staying so
- 8 late. I've been on your side of the table and I know
- 9 it's pretty painful, but we appreciate your time.
- 10 Thank you.
- 11 (Applause.)
- 12 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Now, what I'd
- 13 like to do is -- Kim, do you want to say anything now?
- MODERATOR SLOAN: Yeah, just a couple
- 15 of words.
- 16 SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: Okay.
- 17 MODERATOR SLOAN: Just to reiterate
- 18 that there is a mail-in sheet included in the
- 19 brochure. So, if anyone has any further questions or
- 20 comments they can use that sheet. They can leave it
- 21 here this evening or they can mail it to MassDOT --
- 22 the address is in the brochure -- within 10 days and
- 23 it will become part of the official record.
- I want to thank everyone for attending.

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    And I want to thank the Town of Arlington for
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    providing us with this room.
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                   SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: I just wanted
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    to say I want to thank MassDOT for being so patient
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    with us. We're talkers.
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                   (Applause.)
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                   SELECTMAN CLARISSA ROWE: The other
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    thing is Rick Azzalina of FST and I will stay if
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    people have questions. But I really want the MassDOT
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    people to be able to leave. And, Rick Azzalina is
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    willing to stay as long as you'd like to ask him any
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    detailed questions and technical questions.
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I, Judith A. Luciano, do hereby certify that the foregoing record is a true and accurate transcription of the proceedings in the above-captioned matter to the best of my skill and ability.

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### **DESIGN PUBLIC HEARING**

**APRIL 12, 2011** 

AT

TOWN HALL AUDITORIUM

730 MASS. AVE.

ARLINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS

7:00 PM

### FOR THE PROPOSED

RECONSTRUCTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, FROM POND LANE TO CAMBRIDGE CITY LINE Project No. 604687 Project Management

IN THE TOWN OF ARLINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
HIGHWAY DIVISION

FRANCIS A. DEPAOLA, P.E. ACTING HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR

THOMAS F. BRODERICK, P.E. ACTING CHIEF ENGINEER

## THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - HIGHWAY DIVISION

# NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING Project File No. 604687

A Design Public Hearing will be held by MassDOT to discuss the proposed Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue, from Pond Lane to the Cambridge City Line in Arlington, MA.

WHERE:

Town Hall Auditorium

730 Mass. Ave. Arlington, MA 02476

WHEN:

Tuesday, April 12, 2011 @ 7:00 PM

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue Project. All views and comments made at the

hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL:

The proposed project consists of milling and overlaying existing pavements; removal and resetting existing granite curb; installation of new granite curb; reconstruction of existing cement concrete sidewalks; construction of new wheelchair ramps; replacement of existing traffic signals; installation of new traffic signals; installation of new signs and pavement markings; installation of landscaping and streetscape amenities. The project involves improvements to vehicular flow, ADA accessibility upgrades, pedestrian safety and bicycle accommodation improvements along Massachusetts Avenue. The proposed Mass. Ave. cross section will typically consist of two 11 foot lanes eastbound and one 14-15 foot wide lane westbound; one 5 foot bike lane in each direction (one eastbound and one westbound); and 8-10 foot wide parking lanes/bus stops on each side from Pond Lane to Alewife Brook Parkway. Additional travel lanes and turn lanes will be provided at major intersections where appropriate.

A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. The Town of Arlington is responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT's policy concerning land acquisitions will be discussed at this hearing.

Written views received by MassDOT subsequent to the date of this notice and up to five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing shall be displayed for public inspection and copying at the time and date listed above. Plans will be on display one-half hour before the hearing begins, with an engineer in attendance to answer questions regarding this project. A project handout will be made available on the MassDOT website listed below.

Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition to, oral statements made at the Public Hearing regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Acting Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, ATTN: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687. Such submissions will also be accepted at the hearing. Mailed statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in the public hearing transcript must be postmarked within ten (10) business days of this Public Hearing. Project inquiries may be emailed to dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us

The community has declared that this facility is accessible to all in compliance with the ADA / Title II. However, persons in need of ADA / Title II accommodations should contact Angela Rudikoff by phone at (617) 973-7005 or email to <a href="mailto:angela.rudikoff@state.ma.us">angela.rudikoff@state.ma.us</a>. Requests must be made at least 10 days prior to the date of the public hearing.

In case of inclement weather, hearing cancellation announcements will be posted on the internet at <a href="http://www.massdot.state.ma.us/Highway/">http://www.massdot.state.ma.us/Highway/</a>

FRANCIS A. DEPAOLA, P.E. ACTING HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR THOMAS F. BRODERICK, P.E. ACTING CHIEF ENGINEER





## Dear Concerned Citizen:

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) is committed to building and maintaining a transportation infrastructure that is both safe and efficient for all who use our roadways, bridges, bicycle facilities and pedestrian paths, while maintaining the integrity of the environment.

As part of the design process for this project, we are conducting this public hearing to explain the proposed improvements, listen to your comments and answer any questions you may have. At the conclusion of the hearing, MassDOT will review all of your comments and, where feasible, incorporate them into the design of the project.

We recognize that road and bridge construction can create inconveniences for the public. MassDOT places a great deal of emphasis on minimizing the temporary disruptive effects of construction.

MassDOT encourages input from local communities and values your opinions. Please be assured that we will undertake no project without addressing the concerns of the community.

Sincerely,

Luisa Paiewonsky

Highway Administrator

### WHAT IS A PUBLIC HEARING?

#### WHY A PUBLIC HEARING?

To provide an assured method whereby the Commonwealth of Massachusetts can furnish to the public information concerning the State's highway construction proposals, and to afford every interested resident of the area an opportunity to be heard on any proposed project. At the same time, the hearings afford the Commonwealth an additional opportunity to receive information from local sources which would be of value to the State in making its final decisions to what design should be advanced for development.

#### WHY NOT A VOTE ON HIGHWAY PLANS?

The hearings are not intended to be a popular referendum for the purpose of determining the nature of a proposed improvement by a majority of those present. They do not relieve the duly constituted officials of a State highway department of the necessity for making decisions in State highway matters for which they are charged with full responsibility.

#### WHAT DOES A PUBLIC HEARING ACCOMPLISH?

It is designed to ensure the opportunity for, or the availability of, a forum to provide factual information which is pertinent to the determination of the final alternative considered by the state to best serve the public interest, and on which improvement projects are proposed to be undertaken.

It is important that the people of the area express their views in regard to the proposal being presented, so that views can be properly recorded in the minutes of the meeting. These minutes will be carefully studied and taken into consideration in the determination of the final design.

#### RIGHT OF WAY ISSUES

A secure right of way is necessary for this project. Temporary construction easements may be required. Your municipality is responsible for acquiring all necessary rights in private or public lands. If your property is affected, your rights are fully protected under law.

#### REASON FOR PROJECT

The completion of this project will serve local needs. The proposed enhancement will also be in the interest of others in the greater community, and provide for the public good.

#### 2. WHO CONTACTS ME?

Representatives of the municipality have already contacted or will contact you. They will explain the procedures used in acquiring any necessary rights in land.

#### 3. WHAT ABOUT DONATIONS? WHAT IS A RIGHT OF ENTRY?

Town officials will often seek donations, of parcels, where permanent rights are required. This procedure will minimize the acquisition cost for your community.

A Right of Entry is a document that is signed by the owner. It allows the Contractor to perform certain types of work on the owner's land. The work is usually minor in nature and frequently consists of loaming/seeding behind sidewalks, new driveway apron work, grading/sloping, and wetland protection, etc. The rights granted are temporary in nature.

#### 4. WHAT IS A FAIR PRICE FOR THE ACQUIRED PARCELS?

In the event that donations are not considered, or completed, every effort will be made to ensure that an equitable value is awarded. Municipal and/or outside appraisers will complete an appraisal. Consideration is given to the type of rights needed, whether in fee, permanent or temporary easements. The appraisal will be the basis for arriving at a fair price (for damages that result).

#### 5. MUST I ACCEPT THE MUNICIPALITY OFFER?

No, if the owner feels that the offer is not fair the owner may petition the courts. This action does not stop or delay the acquisition. The action must occur within 3 years. The owner(s) may be paid pro tanto (for the time being). The pro tanto payment will not prejudice the court's final decision.



Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division 0 400 800 Feet Scale: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Figure A: Project Locus Map

Massachusetts Avenue Corridor Project Phase I - Pond Lane to Cambridge City Line Arlington, Massachusetts Project file No. 604687

Map Source: Office of Geographic and Environmental Information (MassGIS), Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs

#### RECONSTRUCTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, FROM POND LANE TO CAMBRIDGE CITY LINE

#### ARLINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS

#### PROJECT FILE NO. 604687

#### PROJECT LOCATION

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) Highway Division and the Town of Arlington are proposing roadway and intersection improvements to Massachusetts Avenue in Arlington, Massachusetts. The project extends along Mass. Ave. from Pond Lane to the Cambridge City Line for a length of approximately 5,700 feet. See attached locus map (Figure A).

#### PROJECT PURPOSE

The purpose of this project is to improve the vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian movement, enhance streetscape, and also improve safety along the corridor by creating a consistent cross section, improving the roadway crossings and adjusting the lane configuration to create more orderly traffic flow.

Currently, the Massachusetts Avenue area is confusing due to the current lane markings being completely worn, therefore lacking defined travel lanes. The roadway has no designated turn lanes, except at the Massachusetts Avenue/Alewife Brook Parkway (Route 16) intersection.

#### SCOPE OF WORK

The proposed project includes milling and overlaying existing pavements; removal and resetting existing granite curb; installation of new granite curb; reconstruction of existing cement concrete sidewalks; construction of new wheelchair ramps; replacement of existing traffic signals; installation of new traffic signals; installation of new signs and pavement markings; installation of landscaping and streetscape amenities. The project involves improvements to vehicular flow, ADA accessibility upgrades, and bicycle accommodation improvements along Massachusetts Avenue. The proposed Mass. Ave. cross section will typically consist of two 11 foot lanes eastbound and one 14-15 foot wide lane westbound; raised and flush medians and/or turn lanes at select locations; one 5 foot bike lane in each direction (one eastbound and one westbound); 8-10 foot wide parking lanes/bus stops on both sides of the road; and 6-10 foot wide cement concrete sidewalks on each side from Pond Lane to Alewife Brook Parkway. Additional travel lanes and turn lanes will be provided at major intersections where appropriate.

In general, the proposed improvements focus on improving all modes of transportation through the corridor and maintaining the connection between Cambridge and Lexington. The existing traffic and intersections have been assessed to provide a design that utilizes

#### FEDERAL AID PROJECT

#### ARLINGTON, MA

### RECONSTRUCTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, FROM POND LANE TO CAMBRIDGE CITY LINE Project File No. 604687

This sheet is provided for your comments. Your input is solicited and appreciated. Please return your sheet, with comments, to a staff member at the meeting, or mail to:

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Acting Chief Engineer MassDOT – Highway Division 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116-3973 Attn: Project Management

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the roadway to capacity. Designated turn lanes, signal timing modification, and new traffic signals are proposed at various intersections to improve traffic flow and safety. A new traffic signal is proposed at the intersection of Bates Road/Marion Road and Mass. Ave. Existing signals are proposed to be replaced at the following intersections with Mass. Ave.:

- Foster Street/Linwood Street
- · Lake Street/Winter Street
- · Teel Street/Thorndike Street

Construction of the proposed improvements will not require permanent acquisitions of property, however temporary construction easements and permanent easements will be necessary to reconstruct the existing cement concrete sidewalks.

#### **RIGHT OF WAY**

The proposed roadway and sidewalk improvements will impact the majority of properties along the project corridor and will require permanent and/or temporary easements for affected parcels. The Town of Arlington will be responsible for acquiring all necessary rights on affected parcels.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS**

The proposed project will require the filing of a Notice of Intent (NOI) Application with the Arlington Conservation Commission under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (WPA) for the proposed work occurring within the 100' buffer to bank and 200' riverfront area associated with Alewife Brook. Work within the buffer and riverfront area along Massachusetts Avenue includes cold planing and resurfacing of existing pavements, full-depth construction in the sidewalk area, and improvements to the existing drainage system. As a redevelopment project, the NOI will document the project's compliance with the Stormwater Management Standards to the maximum extent practicable and discuss the proposed stormwater improvements from existing conditions.

The proposed project involves sidewalk reconstruction totaling more than one acre of earth disturbance and, therefore, a Stormwater Construction General Permit in accordance with Phase II of the Environmental Protection Agency's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program will be required.

#### PROJECT SCHEDULE

The design plans displayed at this meeting are at the 25% stage of completion. Comments made at this design hearing will be incorporated to the maximum extent feasible in the final design.

#### PROJECT COST

The project construction cost is estimated to be approximately \$5.8 million and will be funded through the Fiscal Year 2012 Transportation Improvement Program for the Boston Metropolitan Planning Organization.





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Milan de Vries	resident	617-840-47-30
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# MASSDOT COMMENT LETTERS

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Set of signed letters from:

RESIDENTS 258

**BUSINESSES 32** 

(unable to attend Hearing)

Written in opposition to Town's plan to eliminate traffic lane from Mass. Avenue.

I hope that the care of these letters is better than the little respect shown to documents submitted over the past 4 years by EACCC.

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6 years ignored the wishes of businesses. Actually, the
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our businesses because the outreach was nil to nothing.
I am very concerned that people will avoid using this one
mile of road and cut through the side streets to get from
point A to point B. My business will suffer with the
long construction and the finished product causing major
congestion in front of the stores.
It is time that you listen to the businesses and residents
in our Town. Fix Mass. Ave don't ruin it. Thank you.
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I am not satisfied that emergency response time will be
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I am in favor of bicyclists sharing the road or using the
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4 traffic lanes.
I am very much in favor of making the road safer for all users,
especially pedestrians. The common sense plan of the EACCC
provides correct improvements while maintaining a safe and
efficient road for all users with new street lights, new
traffic lights, pedestrian-activated crosswalk lights, new linage
on the road, new curbs and sidewalks as needed.
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Organization ABC pediatrics
Address 29 Mass ave Arlington mh

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great concern about Arlington's plan to add bike lanes on Mass. Ave.
I wrote to MassDOT again in 2010, and to the Town of Arlington: NO RESPONSE!!
The Town of Arlington website Q&A about this project in Feb. 2009 stated
the town intended to attract bicycles to Mass. Ave. with these bike lanes
(see attached). No attempt has been made, so far as I know, to quantify
the number of bicycles that will divert from safe Minuteman onto Mass. Ave.
by invitation of new bike lanes.
I own a 2-family house on Mass. Ave. along this proposed bike lane route
and I have a single lane driveway that holds three cars. We will be
BACKING OUT INTO A BIKE LANE multiple times of day and night. It is hard
enough to see cars coming, nevermind bicycles in increased numbers! There
are seventeen such single lane driveways along the Mass. Ave. Corridor Project
route and many tenants, home owners and customers will thus be backing out
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### Q3. How is this different from Pleasant Street (Route 60)?

The evening backups Pleasant Street arise from

- Insufficient room to get around motorists turning left onto a side street
- The single through lane of traffic at the light at Mass Ave.

The Mass Ave comidor design is different in that in allows room to get around turning vehicles, and is careful to maintain the needed capacity at signalized intersections.

## Q4. Has anybody actually done traffic counts, to support the design?

Yes, since 2001, three studies with traffic counts have been done by three separate firms. The most recent set of counts were in support of the current plan, and were done in October 2008. All three studies came to the same conclusion: on most of the corridor, only a single through lane is needed, so long as space is provided for left-turning traffic, and that two through lanes are provided eastbound on the approaches to Lake Street and Route 16.



## Q5. Why do we need bike lanes; isn't the Minuteman Trail a sufficient alternative?

The bike lanes

- Accommodate the State Law (Chapter 90E) and MassHighway guidelines that call for bicycle and pedestrian accommodation on state-funded road construction projects



- Provide a dedicated space that encourages new riders along the corridor, and invites them to use the corridor and patronize businesses.
- Provide cyclists a clear place to be, so that they are less likely to illegally ride on the sidewalk, weave through traffic, or ride in the wrong direction.
- Provide a route for Alewife bicycle commuters when the Minuteman Trail is too icy for safe bicycle use.
- Serve destinations (the homes and businesses along the comidor) that are simply not served by the Minuteman.



- Provide cyclists an efficient route into Cambridge that is far more direct and faster than the Minuteman. Given the large numbers of pedestrians using the Minuteman, it is often not the best route for the faster cyclists.
- Encourage cyclists to ride further away from opening car doors, thus reducing the risk of "dooring" accidents.
- Remind motorists to look for cyclists when turning or opening car doors

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I am very concerned that people will avoid using this one
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It is time that you listen to the businesses and residents
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that the Town plan for the Mass. Ave. Corridor Project
will help my business. The planners including the
Town of Arlington, FST and MassDOT have for the first
6 years ignored the wishes of businesses. Actually, the
tact is that they had no idea what our wishes were for
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I am very concerned that people will avoid using this one
mile of road and cut through the side streets to get from
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DOT Feedback Highway

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Monday, February 25, 2013 3:20 PM

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Subject: Attachments: FW: Feb 26, 2013 Public Hearing Comments MassAve Corridor Letter of Support 2-25-13.docx

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From: Angus, Neil [mailto:NAngus@Massdevelopment.com]

Sent: Monday, February 25, 2013 9:28 AM

To: DOT Feedback Highway

Subject: Feb 26, 2013 Public Hearing Comments

Hello,

Please accept the attached letter in support of the upcoming public hearing on the Mass. Ave corridor improvement project in Arlington. I am unable to attend the public hearing tomorrow night but wanted to voice my wife and my support for the project as presented. This project has had a tremendous amount of public input and is ready to move forward with the broad support of the greater Arlington community. Thank you for your time and feel free to contact me with any questions.

Neil.

February 25, 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687.

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I would like to submit the following comments and letter of support for the February 26, 2013 Mass Ave. Corridor Improvement Project Public Hearing:

Anyone who lives in East Arlington knows how dangerous the current layout of Mass Ave is right now for patrons of the businesses, pedestrians, drivers, cyclists and persons with disabilities. People should be able to travel to and through this part of town in a relatively safe and orderly manner. When I look at the MassAve corridor plans and all the options that have been presented, I think to myself, do I want a transportation system that is integrated into the town — or a highway blowing through town from point a to point b? To my wife and I, the answer is easy: structured lanes to accommodate the high volumes of traffic during the relatively brief peak hours, dedicated turning lanes, parking, accommodations for buses, cars and bikes, safe crossings, wider sidewalks, and more pedestrian and ADA amenities. The most current plan is a compromise that addresses all stakeholders issues.

There have been some concerns raised regarding the current plan and the traffic studies that suggest four lanes may be more appropriate at some point in the future. Traffic studies do not measure quality of life – the human element is almost completely lost. We are not in the 50's anymore designing communities solely for cars. As a result, context sensitive design standards have been integrated into local, state and federal highway design requirements. This project, as proposed, does exactly that – accommodates and considers all modes of transportation, while respecting the community that this project passes through.

Four lane roads are difficult to cross and would continue to prolong the disconnection in this part of Arlington. The three-lane plan is the only way to provide some of the critical pedestrian safety improvements at the non-signalized crosswalks – improving pedestrian safety and connecting businesses and community amenities on both sides of Mass. Ave. The three-lane plan also encourages more orderly traffic patterns and creates needed space for parking and cyclists.

Lets not lose focus on the bigger picture for these improvements – a safe and walkable, bikable, drivable, transit accessible community that benefits businesses and residents and recognizes the fact that there is more to this design than just getting from point a to point b, it's about recognizing and respecting what's in between these points: <u>we</u> are what is between these points. It's a public safety and quality of life issue for all Arlington visitors, businesses and residents.

The current plan has already proven its consistency with local and state transportation and town planning objectives. It is also worth noting that the proposed plan is also fully consistent with all of the following US DOT FHA objectives:

- Promote safety,
- Improve air quality,
- Respect the natural environment through Context Sensitive Solutions,
- Improve social equity by improving access to jobs, health care and other community services,
- Create additional opportunities for the positive effects of walking, biking, public transportation, and ride- and vehicle-sharing,
- Conduct research on transportation's role in improving quality of life. Source: FHA Website: <a href="http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/health\_in\_transportation/">http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/health\_in\_transportation/</a>

This project would actually make a great case study for the FHA since the project, as proposed, is really all about improving the quality of life for everyone.

Redistributing and reorganizing the current width of Mass Ave will result in a more efficient and effective flow of traffic and improve the quality of life for drivers, pedestrians, cyclists, the physically disabled, business owners and everyone who come to or passes through East Arlington. Let's make this portion of East Arlington more healthy and vibrant - don't super-size it to four lanes!

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and I look forward to seeing this project move forward for the betterment of all residents, businesses, commuters and visitors to and through East Arlington.

Sincerely,

Neil Angus 5 Melrose Street Arlington, MA 02474 617.620.6095 Melonie Marple 5 Melrose Street Arlington, MA 02474

cc: Laura Wiener, Senior Planner, Town of Arlington
Carol Kowalski, Director or Planning, Town of Arlington

### Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

From:

DOT Feedback Highway

Sent:

Tuesday, February 26, 2013 11:14 AM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

FW: Strong Support for the Mass Ave Corridor Project in East Arlington

fyi

From: Laura Wiener [mailto:LWiener@town.arlington.ma.us]

Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2013 10:43 AM

To: DOT Feedback Highway

Subject: Fwd: Strong Support for the Mass Ave Corridor Project in East Arlington

Laura Wiener
Arlington Planning and Community Development
Town Hall
Arlington, MA 02476
781 316-3091

----Original Message----

From: Matthew Dorson <mdorson@mysticriverengineering.com>F

To: pamela.stephenson@dot.gov, tomasz.janikula@dot.gov

Cc: Laura Wiener < LWiener@town.arlington.ma.us>, ealscoalition@gmail.com

Date: Mon, 25 Feb 2013 15:37:57 -0500

Subject: Strong Support for the Mass Ave Corridor Project in East Arlington

Pamela Stevenson, Administrator Federal Highway Administration 55 Broadway, 10 Flr Cambridge, MA 02142

Dear Ms. Stevenson and Mr. Janikula,

I am writing to let you know that I am in support of the Mass Ave Corridor redesign plan for East Arlington, MA. I use this vital corridor as a pedestrian, a cyclist and when I drive my car. I am looking forward to the new bike lanes, the better pedestrian crosswalks and the improved traffic flow that this improvement will bring to the area.

As a father who walks two young boys to elementary school across Mass Ave every school day, I am particularly excited by the proposed crosswalk improvements. Any opportunity to include side bump out, center island refuges and other means to improve the safety of these crossings should be undertaken.

As a cyclist who frequently travels to and from local businesses along this corridor, I am delighted to see that provisions are being made to improve my access. Too many people view cyclists as only recreational users and forget that many of us are out riding to go places like the bank and the movies and the shops that are not accessible from the nearby dedicated path.

As a vehicle driver, I am delighted that a sensible traffic configuration is finally about to be imposed on

this chaotic section of road. I warn all of my visiting relatives to treat the current free-for-all as if they are driving in a snowy parking lot on the last shopping day before Christmas. There are cars going every which way in anything from one to three lanes wide in both directions at all times. It is really too much for even a good driver to process. Having a single lane toward Arlington Center and two headed for Cambridge should be more than enough to organize the flow. In fact, a recent snowstorm imposed a single lane of travel each way and there were no problems with the flow.

I have attended several well organized town meetings on this topic. I am generally pleased at the level of good detail and rational thinking that has gone into all the materials that have been presented to the public. It seems like it is high time to get the building process underway.

Sincerely,

Matthew Dorson 31 Sawin Street Arlington, MA 02474 (781) 641-3792

### Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

From: Douglass Taft Davidoff [douglass.davidoff@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2013 9:53 AM

To: Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)
Cc: Philip Goff; Adam Auster; NKaba; Alex Bilsky; Chad Gibson
Subject: Note from Doug Davidoff, Arlington MassAve Proponent

Attachments: 130220 Letter in Support of Mass Ave Rehabilitation - FINAL WITH CLOSE-QUOTE

REPAIRED.pdf

Dear Ms. Sloan,

Thank you for your time on the telephone this morning. I am copying my correspondence to some of the other leaders in the East Arlington Livable Streets Coalition, whose position favors the Town of Arlington's plans for rehabilitation of the Massachusetts Avenue corridor through East Arlington.

Our phone conversation was hampered by sketchy reception, but I think I copied down this information accurately.

- Written correspondence is still being assembled. Some of it -- including my own letter -- appears to still be making its way from Chief Engineer Broderick to your boss and to your hands.
- You are sending the correspondence as it is received to the stenographer who is preparing the record of the public hearing. This process will take several weeks, owing to the length of the hearing on Tuesday night. Correspondence will be included alongside the transcript of the proceedings on Tuesday night.
- To date, correspondence that <u>you</u> have received includes roughly 9 letters, 7 emails, and the 300+ individually signed letters delivered in person by Mr. Berger on Tuesday night. Again, this excludes letters in possession currently of Chief Engineer Broderick and your supervisor (again, including my own letter, which was mailed last week).
- It is not possible for citizens to review the correspondence collected by MassDOT until the transcript is prepared, which means waiting until the stenographer completes his work.

I have attached for your information a PDF of the letter which I signed in ink and sent to Chief Engineer Broderick. I should note that I found a typo in the letter; a close-quote was missing from the fourth paragraph. I inserted the close-quote in pen before signing the letter to Chief Engineer Broderick. In the attached PDF, I have amended the letter to include the close-quote in the text.

Thanks for your information! Please let me know when the transcript of the hearing is ready.

If you could reply and let me know for sure the deadline for receiving letters, I would be grateful.

Many thanks for all of your work on this project and on transportation maintenance and improvements for the Commonwealth.

With kind regards,
-- Douglass Taft Davidoff
douglass.davidoff@gmail.com
Resident of 45 Fairmont Street, East Arlington

## **DOUGLASS TAFT DAVIDOFF**

Post Office Box 425541 ■ Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142 ■ Telephone (617) 655-7520 ■ Email douglass.davidoff@gmail.com

February 20, 2013

Mr. Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer Massachusetts Department of Transportation 10 Park Plaza Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687 Massachusetts Avenue in East Arlington

Dear Mr. Broderick:

My name is Douglass Taft Davidoff. This letter is my expression of full support for the Town of Arlington's plan to rehabilitate and improve Massachusetts Avenue in the East Arlington neighborhood from Pond Street to the town line at Alewife Brook. I am an Arlington resident, though you might note that I receive my mail at a post office box in Cambridge. I live (and vote) in Arlington at 45 Fairmont Street, #2.

I write because an out-of-state job assignment may prevent me from attending the February 26th hearing.

I am disappointed with the dynamics of the public participation process that resulted in establishment of the February 26th hearing. I believe the February 26th hearing represents acquiescence by public servants to bludgeoning from opponents of the project, chiefly the Concerned Citizens Committee. The group contends it has been shut out of the process and has not had an opportunity to be heard. My experience after living in Arlington for four years is that the leaders of the CCC are visible and heard at every public meeting I have attended. These leaders seem to have access to all the materials to which I as another citizen have access. Far from being victims of efforts to shut them out, they are in fact now the impelling drivers of the process toward a public hearing and toward an unnecessary town referendum. Their successful technique is repetitive bullying attacks. They deserve not sympathy for being shut out, but scorn for throwing impediments into the process.

"Chutzpah," classically defined, "is the person who murders his or her parents and pleads to the court for mercy on the grounds of being an orphan." To this definition, we in Massachusetts can now add a corollary: "Chutzpah is the act, after thoroughly participating in a process and losing at critical steps, of pleading that the process should be continued because there were not enough opportunities to win." Those people who have hewn to the governance and planning process in Arlington are the victims, not the compatriots of the CCC. We are the victims of people with an abundance of chutzpah, an abundance of money— and a losing hand of arguments.

I support the plans by the Town of Arlington to rehabilitate and improve Massachusetts Avenue in East Arlington between Pond Street and Alewife Brook for these reasons:

- 1. Pedestrian Safety While Crossing the Street. I wish I could be a bicyclist. But of late, I cannot. I have been hobbled by many injuries to my feet, many surgeries followed by long periods of recuperation, and a requirement to use all sorts of medical equipment: surgical shoes, canes, crutches, braces, etc. I do not cross Massachusetts Avenue easily in its current configuration. I desire the pedestrian crossing improvements set forth in the Town's plan. I wish to cross without risk of physical harm.
- 2. Pedestrian Safety, on the Sidewalk. I support reconfiguration of sidewalks to make pedestrian safety and ease of travel through the corridor a priority.

- 3. Vehicular Safety. I believe the Town's plan to allocate lanes to eastbound and westbound traffic is creative, thoughtful, and useful. I realize it may entail occasional loss of service. I also believe it will encourage better and safer motoring experiences.
- 4. Bicycle Safety. It is a fact of life that bicycles will use Massachusetts Avenue -- the "Main Street" or "High Street" of Arlington -- in large measure for the same reason that motorists do. It is the central thoroughfare of our town. I do not like driving in shared lanes with a high quantity of bicyclists. It scares me. The margin for error is small. In every way, bicyclists lose when using shared lanes. I welcome dedicated bicycle lanes.
- 5. Sharing the Road Wisely. The suggestion by opponents of the Town's plan that bicyclists should be shunted to the Minuteman Trail because it is designed for bicyclists (though shared with pedestrians) is as valid as my suggestion, made in jest to the Board of Selectmen two months ago, that motorists should be shunted to Route 2 (Concord Turnpike) because it is designed for motor vehicles. The fact is that Mass Ave's alignment is desirable to all modes of travelers. It runs through the center of town. Each mode of travel needs to be accommodated well and safely. Shared bicycle and motoring lanes simply put bicyclists at greater risk than motorists, and build resentment among motorists for the supposed imposition of bicyclists. If the bicyclists had a safe and separate travel lane, there would be no fear among motorists and a lot less resentment, too.

I am sure that flaws in the Town's plan can be found. We are all flawed, and no one and no document is free from error. I hope that in the main, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the United States Transportation Department will see fit to endorse the Town's plans and allow it to move forward. Errors should be corrected, not used to discard years of work and compromise.

The Town's process has been open and thorough, despite the bludgeoning attacks of opponents. The Town's plan is reasonable and thorough. The plan improves transportation for all and encourages more activity in a neighborhood ready to burst forth with economic vibrancy. I hope this hearing will be followed by an expression of support for the Town from the state and federal highway authorities, along with permission to proceed.

Sincerely yours,

Douglass T. Davidoff

P.S. Please don't give into the argument that a referendum is coming up. This is just more chutzpah. Manipulating public opinion to create a referendum and then pleading for restraint based on the sudden presence of the referendum is perilously close to that classic definition of chutzpah I related above. The time to proceed is here.

CC:

Pamela Stevenson, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration Tomasz Janikula, Project Manager, Federal Highway Administration Linda Weiner, Town of Arlington Philip Goff and Chad Gibson, East Arlington Livable Streets Coalition Members of the Arlington Board of Selectmen

### Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

From:

DOT Feedback Highway

Sent:

Friday, March 01, 2013 2:20 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

FW: Project No. 604687 - Reconstruction of Mass. Ave. Arlington

FYI

From: bobrj45@verizon.net [mailto:bobrj45@verizon.net]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 3:18 PM

To: DOT Feedback Highway

Subject: Project No. 604687 - Reconstruction of Mass. Ave. Arlington

Dear Mr. Broderick,

Thank you and your team for your time, patience, and willingness to hear both sides of the issues concerning this project at the February 26th Design Public Hearing. Your professional demeanor was appreciated.

I like the idea of what this project will do for the area, mainly in terms of pedestrian safety. However, I am very troubled by the decision to leave the bus stop in its present location in front of Comella's restaurant. Leaving the bus stop at this location does not address pedestrian or bicyclist safety issues and may bring about more confusion at that corner by having bicyclist, right turn lane vehicles and buses all competing for the same corner at the same time. Buses often pull into the stop with the rear left side projecting out in to the travel lane because they do not have adequate approach distance especially when two buses approach at the same time. Right-turning traffic behind a bus will miss the light cycle and drivers may be tempted to pull out into the bike and straight -ahead lanes to go around the bus. This bus stop should be located on the east side of Lake St.

I was told the reason for not locating the bus stop on the east side of Lake St. was "the businesses east of Lake St., particularly Christo's Market, objected". I suspect their objection is based on not wanting to lose the parking space on the street where their truck is allowed to park for most of the day. This seems to be an exception where the tail is being allowed to wag the dog. I urge you to take another look into this and consider a redesign of this intersection. Many of the small shops along Mass. Ave. have become rooted in the community and I fear for their existence in terms of enduring the major disruption that will go on for eighteen or more months.

The following are comments about issues outside and not included in the scope of your project but will be the subject of criticisms of the result of your project when completed:

- Overhead wiring and utility poles are not shown on any of the landscape renderings but will remain and upon completion of the project many will be disappointed in seeing this unsightly distraction and Massdot will be criticized for not factoring this into the design.
- Despite the studies that claim there will be no increase in traffic diverting to the side streets and speeding on these streets is not a problem the residents on these streets, especially those with small children, would disagree and are concerned about how much worse it will be like for them upon completion of the project. Speed humps (3"H x 20'-30' L) on streets such as Bates Rd., Clevland St., Lake St., Marathon St.and Winter St. would go a long way in slowing down the race to Mass. Ave. and Broadway. Massdot will be criticized for not factoring this into the design.

I suggest you issue a PR statement clearly identifying things that are not included in the project and pass it on to the town for consideration so that you are not held accountable for perceived expectations. My experience has been that it is as important to state in a proposal what is not included as to what is to eliminate any perceived expectations.

I will send you photos of street scenes that may help you to understand my comments.

Sincerely,

Bob Radochia 45 Columbia Rd Arlington, MA 02474

### Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

From:

DOT Feedback Highway

Sent:

Monday, February 25, 2013 3:18 PM

То:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

FW: Mass Ave Project, Arlington

FYI...

From: Laura Wiener [mailto:LWiener@town.arlington.ma.us]

Sent: Monday, February 25, 2013 8:35 AM

To: DOT Feedback Highway

Subject: Mass Ave Project, Arlington

## I am forwarding this letter at the request of the sender.

Laura Wiener, Senior Planner Arlington Planning and Community Development Town Hall Arlington, MA 02476 781 316-3091

----Original Message----

From: Steven Kurland <stekurl@gmail.com>

To: LWiener@town.arlington.ma.us

Cc: Jeff Broadman < jbroadman@gmail.com>

Date: Sun, 24 Feb 2013 20:08:33 -0500

Subject: Mass Ave Project

#### Hello Laura-

I will be unable to attend the Tuesday night meeting, but I would appreciate it if you would submit this letter for me:

## Arlington Residents and Businesses:

I have been involved in the Mass Ave. project for several years now. I am a member of the Mass Ave. Committee and also served on the Arlington Traffic Advisory Committee. I would like like to re-state my wholehearted support of the project.

As a business member in Arlington (Za at 138 Mass.), I feel that the project will enhance quality of life for residents and the business environment. From the beginning, the project has been as inclusive as it can be. There have been multiple open meetings. First, these meetings looked for a consensus on whether to do the project. Then the meetings focused on how best to do it. Although there are groups who do not want the project to go forward, the Town Selectmen did vote in favor of it, I think this was the proper decision and I think we should all work together to make the project as beneficial and effective as possible.

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Finally, the funding for this project is coming from outside funds (federal and state), saving Arlingtonians several million dollars in taxes. The roads must be repaired and, in order to do it with federal money, we must adhere to federal guidelines (traffic lanes, bicycle paths, etc.). We should be doing these things anyway in order to support our residents and businesses.

Thank you for your consideration and to all those who are working to move the Mass Ave. Project forward.

Steve Kurland Za 138 Massachusetts Ave. 781 316-2334

### Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

From:

DOT Feedback Highway

Sent:

Tuesday, February 26, 2013 10:04 AM

To: Subject: Sloan, Kimberley (DOT) FW: Mass Ave Meeting

FYI

From: Laura Wiener [mailto:LWiener@town.arlington.ma.us]

Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2013 8:44 AM

**To:** DOT Feedback Highway **Subject:** Fwd: Mass Ave Meeting

Can you make this part of the record?
Laura Wiener
Arlington Planning and Community Development
Town Hall
Arlington, MA 02476
781 316-3091

----Original Message-----

From: Carol Band <band\_carol@hotmail.com>
To: Laura Wiener lwiener@town.arlington.ma.us>

Date: Tue, 26 Feb 2013 07:24:48 -0500

Subject: Mass Ave Meeting

#### Hi Laura -

I can't make the meeting tonight, but I want to go on record as being in total and enthusiastic support for the Mass Ave project.

It's long overdue and will make this area better for businesses, pedestrians and drivers. It's exactly the right and forward thinking to do.

Don't let this great opportunity be derailed by a few angry individuals who don't understand good planning practice.

Thanks for adding my opinion to the soup-

Carol Band

617-930-2067

## Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

From:

DOT Feedback Highway

Sent:

Tuesday, February 26, 2013 2:31 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

FW: Supporting the Mass Ave project in Arlington

FY

From: Amy & Simon Horsburgh [mailto:thehorsburghs@rcn.com]

Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2013 12:55 PM

To: DOT Feedback Highway

**Subject:** Supporting the Mass Ave project in Arlington

To whom it may concern at Mass DoT,

My husband and I want to express our full support for the Mass Ave improvement project in Arlington. We cannot attend the meeting in Arlington tonight, but want to add our voices to the many that have spoken out in support of this project. We don't think it is necessary to explain our position, as the benefits of the project have been expressed time and again by many members of the Arlington community.

Sincerely, Amy and Simon Horsburgh 18 Buena Vista Rd. Arlington MA 02476 From: DOT Feedback Highway

Sent: Monday, February 25, 2013 3:18 PM

To: Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

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Steve Kurland Za 138 Massachusetts Ave. 781 316-2334

## Trepanier, Michael (DOT)

From:

refdesk@world.std.com

Sent:

Friday, February 15, 2013 1:56 PM

To:

Trepanier, Michael (DOT)

Subject:

Rachael Stark from Walking In Arlington on East Arlington Mass. Ave. redesign - Wendy

Landman of WalkBoston suggested I contact you

Follow Up Flag: Flag Status:

Follow up Flagged

Dear Michael Trepanier

Wendy Landman from WalkBoston suggested I contact you. I tried the phone number she gave me, 617-973-8250, but got a fast busy.

I am the Founder and Chair of Walking In Arlington, a community based pedestrian advocacy, walking safety and transportation justice group. I have been active in Arlington and Massachusetts pedestrian advocacy and sustainable transit for about 13 years. I like to think that I am one of the respected voices in Arlington pedestrian and transit issues.

I plan to attend meeting about Mass. Ave. in East Arlington on Feb 26, 2013 at 7pm at Arlington Town Hall (730 Mass. Ave.). I would very much appreciate an opportunity to speak. I have another meeting that evening, so would very much appreciate an opportunity to speak early, if that is possible. Ideally I'd prefer to speak before 7:30pm, but I can go to my other meeting a bit late, if need be.

Here are some of my thoughts about the upcoming meeting, and the process in general, as it has unfolded over the last many months. I have attended a number of meetings and events related to East Arlington Mass. Ave redesign. I think we have a very big people problem. The engineering aspects have long since been overshadowed by the cultural, emotional and social elements. The people problem is where our focus needs to be.

Please find below my perspective and some suggestions about how to make the process more successful. I would very much appreciate hearing your thoughts and feelings on my perspective. If there is any way I can help, I would welcome that opportunity.

One of the big problems with all this is that we did not have the experts we needed when this all began. For engineering, we had engineers. But we had no expert meeting facilitators, or if we had them, we did not use them. The engineers did a poor job at meeting facilitation, which turned into feelings of hurt, upset, insult, offense and not being listened to. Meeting facilitation and social skills are often not the expertise of engineers. There is no reason to think they would have the expertise to do this well, and they did not.

Once the snowball of hurt and divisiveness got started, it rolled downhill and, eventually, got so big it crushed the project underneath it. We have been trying to clean up those problems for the last many months. We have spent a lot of money because no one hired an expert meeting facilitator up front. Now that we have a backlog of hurt and divisiveness, we especially need someone to facilitate meetings whose expertise is in people, process, coalition building and meeting facilitation. Until and unless we have that, the fight will just go on and on.

Who will be facilitating this meeting? We need someone who can moderate discussion, by engineers, consultants, politicians, Town staff, the public, and whoever else is expected. If there is any hope of bringing back a sense of working together toward a shared good, we must have little lecture and much conversation. No one should be allowed to speak at huge length.

That includes politicians, engineers, or members of the public. Everyone should get a short, but adequate, time to talk. The facilitator has to have the authority to start and stop anyone from speaking. We stay till all have spoken a fair amount of time. Or we face another long round of contentious meetings.

We can have a Mass Ave plan that will be widely supported and successful, if we pay attention to social factors and social skills. If we just keep pouring more engineering onto the fire, it will continue to burn. This is not about engineering any more, it is about identity, feeling and belief. We address that well and we can succeed. We ignore it and we fail. Thank you.

Yours On Foot Rachael Stark Walking In Arlington Founder and Chair refdesk@world.std.com 781-648-4477 home phone 781-354-5039 text and cell 39 Amherst St Arlington, MA 02474 6 February 2013

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MassDOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116

Re: Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue from Pond Lane to the Cambridge City Line, Project 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I will be out of town during the 2/26 public hearing, so am commenting, as an individual, via this letter. I am a member of Arlington's Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), Bicycle Advisory Committee (ABAC) and Town Meeting member, so am familiar with the turns this project has taken over the past 12 years.

As a member of TAC, and as a citizen who has a car, bicycle, MBTA pass and walking shoes, I am keenly aware of the need to balance the safety and mobility needs of our various modes of transportation. The current plan attempts to strike this balance. I supported it at the 25% design hearing and, although I am concerned about the recent erosion of pedestrian safety features, continue to do so.

This project had its origins back in 2001, when, after two pedestrian fatalities on Mass Ave, Arlington Town Meeting voted a warrant article to include "appropriate lane markings" on Mass Ave. Reducing the number of travel lanes was part of that debate, and was motivated by the desire to improve pedestrian safety by providing shorter pedestrian crossings with refuge islands at at least a few locations. Recent relevant FHWA safety publications include the 2004 report on uncontrolled crosswalks (FHWA-HRT-04-100) and the guidance on proven safety countermeasures (FHWA-SA-12-011 and FHWA-SA-12-013).

I have not had an opportunity to review the HCM-based analysis mentioned in the FHWA memorandum of January 23, 2013, so cannot comment on its validity except to note that the greater increase in delay in the 2-lane eastbound direction is (a) counterintuitive and (b) seems to support Fay Spofford Thorndike's position that the reduced number of through lanes does not significantly impede traffic flow.

This analysis is also of limited relevance because HCM does not explicitly look at safety. In particular, the statement in the FHWA memo that "pedestrian operation is not significantly affected by the project," might be misinterpreted as saying, falsely, that pedestrian safety is not affected.

Finally, I disagree strongly with the Concerned Citizens Committee claim of inadequate public involvement. The second page of this letter contains a brief history of the major public meetings, Town Meeting votes, and Town elections where the project has been a factor.

Thank you for your consideration in what has been a very lengthy process.

Arott B. Smith

Cc John McVann, FHWA; Laura Wiener, Town of Arlington

## A Brief History of Public Involvement in the Mass Ave Project:

After 2 pedestrian fatalities in the late 1990s, Arlington Town Meeting voted a warrant article in 2001 to include "appropriate lane markings" on Mass Ave. Reducing the number of travel lanes was part of that debate, and was motivated by recent FHWA-sponsored research revealed that marked uncontrolled crosswalks on multilane undivided roads presented significant safety problems (FHWA-HRT-04-100 and its references).

In 2002, the town had Louis Berger looked at some possible lane configurations to assess feasibility, finding that for most of the corridor, reducing the number of travel lanes would be feasible. Results were presented in public meetings in East Arlington. The Town then began work to secure funding for the project.

The current project was introduced at a public meeting and separate public workshop in October 2008.

The public was invited to review the initial draft plan in February 2009. In April 2009, the Selectmen hosted a hearing at the Hardy School that was attended by hundreds. Given the significant public interest and lack of consensus, the Selectmen delayed the project, inviting members of the Concerned Citizens Committee (CCC) to join the existing project review committee.

More than 300 people attended the 25% design hearing in April 2011. Some 75 people spoke, the majority indicating support.

In the 2010, 2011 and 2012 Town elections, the CCC put forth a candidate for Selectmen, Maria Romano, who was defeated by pro-project candidates all three years.

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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116

Re: Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue from Pond Lane to the Cambridge City Line, Project 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I will be out of town during the 2/26 public hearing, so am commenting, as an individual, via this letter. I am a member of Arlington's Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), Bicycle Advisory Committee (ABAC) and Town Meeting member, so am familiar with the turns this project has taken over the past 12 years.

As a member of TAC, and as a citizen who has a car, bicycle, MBTA pass and walking shoes, I am keenly aware of the need to balance the safety and mobility needs of our various modes of transportation. The current plan attempts to strike this balance. I supported it at the 25% design hearing and, although I am concerned about the recent erosion of pedestrian safety features, continue to do so.

This project had its origins back in 2001, when, after two pedestrian fatalities on Mass Ave, Arlington Town Meeting voted a warrant article to include "appropriate lane markings" on Mass Ave. Reducing the number of travel lanes was part of that debate, and was motivated by the desire to improve pedestrian safety by providing shorter pedestrian crossings with refuge islands at at least a few locations. Recent relevant FHWA safety publications include the 2004 report on uncontrolled crosswalks (FHWA-HRT-04-100) and the guidance on proven safety countermeasures (FHWA-SA-12-011 and FHWA-SA-12-013).

I have not had an opportunity to review the HCM-based analysis mentioned in the FHWA memorandum of January 23, 2013, so cannot comment on its validity except to note that the greater increase in delay in the 2-lane eastbound direction is (a) counterintuitive and (b) seems to support Fay Spofford Thorndike's position that the reduced number of through lanes does not significantly impede traffic flow.

This analysis is also of limited relevance because HCM does not explicitly look at safety. In particular, the statement in the FHWA memo that "pedestrian operation is not significantly affected by the project," might be misinterpreted as saying, falsely, that pedestrian safety is not affected.

Finally, I disagree strongly with the Concerned Citizens Committee claim of inadequate public involvement. The second page of this letter contains a brief history of the major public meetings, Town Meeting votes, and Town elections where the project has been a factor.

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Thank you for your consideration in what has been a very lengthy process.

Scott B Smith

Cc John McVann, FHWA; Laura Wiener, Town of Arlington

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#### A Brief History of Public Involvement in the Mass Ave Project:

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The current project was introduced at a public meeting and separate public workshop in October 2008.

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February 25, 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687.

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I would like to submit the following comments and letter of support for the February 26, 2013 Mass Ave. Corridor Improvement Project Public Hearing:

Anyone who lives in East Arlington knows how dangerous the current layout of Mass Ave is right now for patrons of the businesses, pedestrians, drivers, cyclists and persons with disabilities. People should be able to travel to and through this part of town in a relatively safe and orderly manner. When I look at the MassAve corridor plans and all the options that have been presented, I think to myself, do I want a transportation system that is integrated into the town – or a highway blowing through town from point a to point b? To my wife and I, the answer is easy: structured lanes to accommodate the high volumes of traffic during the relatively brief peak hours, dedicated turning lanes, parking, accommodations for buses, cars and bikes, safe crossings, wider sidewalks, and more pedestrian and ADA amenities. The most current plan is a compromise that addresses all stakeholders issues.

There have been some concerns raised regarding the current plan and the traffic studies that suggest four lanes may be more appropriate at some point in the future. Traffic studies do not measure quality of life – the human element is almost completely lost. We are not in the 50's anymore designing communities solely for cars. As a result, context sensitive design standards have been integrated into local, state and federal highway design requirements. This project, as proposed, does exactly that – accommodates and considers all modes of transportation, while respecting the community that this project passes through.

Four lane roads are difficult to cross and would continue to prolong the disconnection in this part of Arlington. The three-lane plan is the only way to provide some of the critical pedestrian safety improvements at the non-signalized crosswalks – improving pedestrian safety and connecting businesses and community amenities on both sides of Mass. Ave. The three-lane plan also encourages more orderly traffic patterns and creates needed space for parking and cyclists.

Lets not lose focus on the bigger picture for these improvements — a safe and walkable, bikable, drivable, transit accessible community that benefits businesses and residents and recognizes the fact that there is more to this design than just getting from point a to point b, it's about recognizing and respecting what's in between these points: we are what is between these points. It's a public safety and quality of life issue for all Arlington visitors, businesses and residents.

The current plan has already proven its consistency with local and state transportation and town planning objectives. It is also worth noting that the proposed plan is also fully consistent with all of the following US DOT FHA objectives:

- Promote safety,
- Improve air quality,
- Respect the natural environment through Context Sensitive Solutions,
- Improve social equity by improving access to jobs, health care and other community services,
- Create additional opportunities for the positive effects of walking, biking, public transportation, and ride- and vehicle-sharing,
- Conduct research on transportation's role in improving quality of life.

  Source: FHA Website: <a href="http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/health">http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/health</a> in transportation/

This project would actually make a great case study for the FHA since the project, as proposed, is really all about improving the quality of life for everyone.

Redistributing and reorganizing the current width of Mass Ave will result in a more efficient and effective flow of traffic and improve the quality of life for drivers, pedestrians, cyclists, the physically disabled, business owners and everyone who come to or passes through East Arlington. Let's make this portion of East Arlington more healthy and vibrant - don't super-size it to four lanes!

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and I look forward to seeing this project move forward for the betterment of all residents, businesses, commuters and visitors to and through East Arlington.

Sincerely,

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cc: Laura Wiener, Senior Planner, Town of Arlington
Carol Kowalski, Director or Planning, Town of Arlington

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Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

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Many major thoroughfares in Amsterdam and other cities have separate and sometimes elevated bike lanes in both directions, reasonably wide sidewalks, a single car lane in both directions, and often a center lane for exclusive use of trams and buses, taxis, police cars, ambulances, and fire engines.

While initial resistance to the introduction of this multi-modal infrastructure was comparable to that encountered in Arlington, the foresight of the Dutch traffic and city planners has proven to be invaluable:

- Reduction of traffic congestion
- Reduction in accidents
- Increased use of all modes of transportation other than passenger cars, resulting in an overall reduction of gas usage and pollution
- Increased store traffic benefiting current merchants and attracting new ones
- A more livable environment, encouraging people to visit and interact, and promoting the reputation of the city or town.

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Rudie Lion

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## Letter of Support for Mass Ave Corridor Plan

February 26, 2013

## To Whom It May Concern:

Last November, I opened a retail shop on Mass Ave in East Arlington. I am writing in support of the Mass Ave Corridor Plan which would transform the current avenue into three automobile traffic lanes and two bicycle lanes.

Since my business has been operating, I have seen a serious need for traffic calming measures. The current roadway is dangerous for both drivers and pedestrians alike. Without specific lanes and bike paths, driving, bicycling or crossing the street is haphazard, unpredictable, and risky. Cars and trucks constantly speed along Mass Ave, passing each other without much order and the new plan addresses these problems.

Though I understand the concerns that the road construction could cause short-term problems for local businesses, these worries are outweighed by the long-term benefits that both residents and businesses would gain. The new plan would help by calming traffic, by connecting both sides of Mass Ave for pedestrians, and by adding much needed bicycle infrastructure. I support the Mass Ave Corridor Plan as the best plan for a safer and more accessible neighborhood.

Thank you,

Ellen Aronson Owner, Salvage Ltd 112 Mass Ave Arlington, MA 02474 Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick,

Regarding the Massachusetts Avenue Project in East Arlington, I understand that a small group of Arlington residents are on a path to persuade the planning team to eliminate bike lanes from the project. I'm writing in support of the current project design, which includes bicycle lanes.

I have been a year-round bicycle commuter in Greater Boston, on the road on two-wheels nearly every day since 2003. I am an extremely conscientious and lucky cyclist to say that I have only been involved in minor accidents during all these years. As such, I consider myself an experienced urban cyclist and am comfortable under extreme cycling conditions (blizzards, for example). Over the years, Mass Ave has become one of my most and least favorite paths. It is the most direct route to get to and from area towns but it is also one of the most dangerous roads for cyclists. Specifically in East Arlington, road conditions not ideal: there are many potholes right where cyclists would ride. The intersection of Route 2 and Mass Ave is particularly intimidating: loads of traffic converge, parked cars' doors flying open at any given time and busses pulling over for stops all impact bicyclists' safety.

Since my primary mode of transportation is by bicycle, my experiences in Arlington have led me to adjust my behavior. I don't go into Arlington for any business I can find around Cambridge, Somerville, or Boston. In looking into purchasing a home, I only briefly considered Arlington as option because it does not feel as bicycle friendly as nearby towns. If this project moves forward without dedicated bicycle facilities, it sets a dangerous precedent for projects throughout the state - that people on bikes are not welcome on the road and further fuel the misunderstanding that "Roads are for cars." This is especially relevant now, after the recent case in Wellesley where the grand jury refused to indict the truck driver in a fatal crash with a cyclist despite ample evidence: <a href="http://www.boston.com/news/local/massachusetts/2013/02/15/cyclists-react-with-anger-after-grand-jury-returns-indictment-wellesley-bike-crash-case/NbaHbWRHk7fpez15fKGZhl/story.html">http://www.boston.com/news/local/massachusetts/2013/02/15/cyclists-react-with-anger-after-grand-jury-returns-indictment-wellesley-bike-crash-case/NbaHbWRHk7fpez15fKGZhl/story.html</a>

I truly believe that building proper infrastructure for bike in Arlington will promote community awareness of bicycling and bring more people to its shops and restaurants. With increased ridership, Arlington could be the next town that Hubway expands into (<a href="http://www.thehubway.com/stations">http://www.thehubway.com/stations</a>), bringing more tourists to your town all the way from Boston.

Please consider my input and make plans to allocate space more equitably for all users. Thank you for your time and for your efforts to improve the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Sincerely,
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Cambridge Resident

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Christopher Mow 130 North Union St. Arlington, MA 02474 2/20/2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I was dismayed to learn that a vocal minority in Arlington was successful in calling a hearing to remove the proposed bike lanes from the Mass Ave Corridor Project. As a year-round bicycle commuter, I ride on Mass Ave through East Arlington almost every day. It is a very dangerous road for cyclists: with no clear car lanes nor bicycle lanes, it is difficult to know where each road user is supposed to travel. I very much support bicycle lanes being added to Mass Ave: both for my own safety but also for the safety of cyclists who are not as experienced as myself. If I were a new or novice cyclist and tried riding on Mass Ave through East Arlington, I would be stressed out and fearful for my safety. We need these bicycle lanes so cyclists know they are entitled to use Mass Ave just the same as the cars and other road users who travel it.

Sincerely,

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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

To Whom It May Concern:

I strongly support Arlington's Mass Ave Plan.

Although I live in North Cambridge, I use Mass Ave from route 16 to Arlington Center on almost a daily basis. My wife works at Fabric Corner in Arlington Center, my son and family live in Kelwyn Manor, and my grandson attends the Hardy School. Before retirement I commuted to Burlington, occasionally by bicycle and frequently by car; in both cases taking Mass Ave from Route 16 to at least Arlington Center.

The lack of properly striped travel lanes makes Mass Ave into a slalom course. You can't stay in the rightmost lane because there's usually a car or truck double-parked there. You can't stay in the left lane because there's often somebody waiting to turn left. Even when traffic is relatively light, there's often somebody driving at 25mph right down the middle of the "lane". All of these encourage frequent land changes and other risky maneuvers; bad for cars, worse for bikes.

Midblock crossings by pedestrians are also a problem. Even in a crosswalk, pedestrians are often dressed in dark clothing and hard to see. Add to this the excessive length of the crosswalk and you sometimes get a situation where a one car waits, but a second car passes them with no opportunity to see the pedestrian.

It is especially important to accommodate bicycles safely. Bike traffic in Cambridge has doubled in the last decade and Mass Ave in Arlington is an important feeder. I do not offer an opinion with respect to dedicated bike lanes, but with them or not, we must ensure that bikes are not forced into the door zone, and that double parking and deliveries not obstruct the path that bikes take. Bicyclists have gotten the short end of the stick for many years; it's no wonder that some (not all) of them show contempt for stop lights. Treat them fairly and their behavior will improve.

In summary, it seems to me that the three lane plan is an appropriate response to the situation along Mass Ave, and I recommend that you get on with it without further delay.

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#### FEDERAL AID PROJECT

#### ARLINGTON, MA

RECONSTRUCTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, FROM POND LANE TO CAMBRIDGE CITY LINE Project File No. 604687

This sheet is provided for your comments. Your input is solicited and appreciated. Please return your sheet, with comments, to a staff member at the meeting, or mail to:

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer MassDOT-Highway Division 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116-3973 Attn: Project Management

- 1) I am **against** Town of Arlington's Corridor Project design. I am **not in favor** of putting two 5 foot wide bike lanes on Mass Ave.
- 2) Lam not in favor of compromising efficiency for driver, small business delivery vehicles and public transportation (busses) in order to add 2 bike lanes. If one chooses to ride a bike (like I do) they (like I do) can use the Minuteman Bike Trail which is safe and nearby.
- 3) I am **in favor** of getting State and Federal money to fix this one mile section of Mass Ave and make the road safer for all users. . It seems to me that the common sense plan for EACCC is to make improvements and maintain a safe and efficient road for all users with new street lights, traffic lights, lineage, new curbs and sidewalks where needed and pedestrian activated street lights.
- 4) I have been a resident of Arlington for over Fifty years, lived my childhood on Adams St. 2 house up from Mass Ave (within this one Mile stretch effected by the Corridor Project). My mother still lives on Adams St. and I travel down Mass Ave daily to visit. I know and love this area. I still live in Arlington, but on the west side, so I navigate up and down Mass Ave regularly, whether to visit my mother or to run errands. I feel that the changes proposed by the Town of Arlington will make passage on Mass Ave more difficult by automobile, will create traffic backups and force drivers to take side streets to avoid Mass Ave. As more cars take side streets to avoid Mass Ave the children living in those streets and playing in their driveways will be put at risk from cars trying to avoid the traffic jams. Although biking straight down Mass Ave would be a little faster, The Bikeway is safer and allows one to witness the beauty and history of Spy Pond.

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Mr. Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Eng. MassDOT - Highway Div. 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 01226-3973

Attn: Project Management

RE: Project File No. 604687 -- Mass. Ave. Corridor Project, East Arlington, MA

Dear Mr. Brokerick:

As a 20 year resident of East Arlington, I strongly oppose the removal of one traffic lane westbound and the narrowing of two lanes eastbound on Massachusetts Ave. in the above-referenced project.

I have read your responses to the Federal Highway Association, and your assertion that 30 public meetings were held on this issue is a BLATANT LIE, WHICH EVEN SELECTMAN KEVIN GREELEY WAS FORCED TO ADMIT PUBLICLY. No public meetings were held for six years. Most of the so-called "public meetings" were not advertised and were mostly attended by a handful of town officials. The other lie that has been publicly promoted is that bike lanes are mandatory. They are not, and the engineer in charge of the project admitted this at the April 2011 Town Hall Meeting.

This plan was forced through by the Selectmen without proper public participation. Clarissa Rowe stated to a resident at the public meeting at the Fox Library: "Don't waste your time; it's a done deal," She said much the same thing to me, stating: "Bicycles are the way of the future."

This plan defies common sense and the strong sentiments of the residents and businesses, particularly in East Arlington. We have TWICE COLLECTED WELL OVER 3,000 SIGNATURES OPPOSING THE REMOVAL OF TRAVEL LANES. We have also PRESENTED THE SIGNATURES OF 80% OF THE BUSINESSES IN EAST ARLINGTON OPPOSING THE REMOVAL OF TRAVEL LANES.

No one listens to the residents or the businesses. A traffic bottle neck will be created whenever two lanes merge into one. The FHWA has found that the engineering firms traffic flow study is flawed, and they failed to do any analysis of the effect of merging two lanes to one. There must be an independent study by a neutral expert engineering firm -- not the same firm that is getting paid for the project. This plan will force more traffic onto the side residential streets and slow the work commute. You can see the effect right now with the snow blocking travel lanes. I experience a much longer commute home.

The needs of the 98% who use the road to get to work and for other necessary life tasks, should not be subordinated to the wishes of the 2% who bicycle for recreation. The bicyclists are a tiny minority, but they are a very vocal lobby. Just answer one question truthfully: How many bicyclists do you see on RECEIVED

Mass. Ave. right now? The answer is hardly any to NONE

Muriel Fudala 17 Maráthon St. Arlington, MA 02474

MassDOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT 15 Fountain Road Arlington, MA 02476 February 17, 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer, Mass Dot 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

Re: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

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Sincerely,

Janice A. Bakey

Cc: Federal Highway Administration: Pamela Stevenson, Tomasz Janikula Laura Wiener, Town of Arlington 15 Fountain Road Arlington, MA 02476 February 17, 2013

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RE: Project File No. 604687 -- Mass. Ave. Corridor Project, East Arlington, MA

Dear Mr. Brokerick:

As a 20 year resident of East Arlington, I strongly oppose the removal of one traffic lane westbound and the narrowing of two lanes eastbound on Massachusetts Ave. in the above-referenced project.

I have read your responses to the Federal Highway Association, and your assertion that 30 public meetings were held on this issue is a BLATANT LIE, WHICH EVEN SELECTMAN KEVIN GREELEY WAS FORCED TO ADMIT PUBLICLY. No public meetings were held for six years. Most of the so-called "public meetings" were not advertised and were mostly attended by a handful of town officials. The other lie that has been publicly promoted is that bike lanes are mandatory. They are not, and the engineer in charge of the project admitted this at the April 2011 Town Hall Meeting.

This plan was forced through by the Selectmen without proper public participation. Clarissa Rowe stated to a resident at the public meeting at the Fox Library: "Don't waste your time; it's a done deal." She said much the same thing to me, stating: "Bicycles are the way of the future."

This plan defies common sense and the strong sentiments of the residents and businesses, particularly in East Arlington. We have TWICE COLLECTED WELL OVER 3,000 SIGNATURES OPPOSING THE REMOVAL OF TRAVEL LANES. We have also PRESENTED THE SIGNATURES OF 80% OF THE BUSINESSES IN EAST ARLINGTON OPPOSING THE REMOVAL OF TRAVEL LANES.

No one listens to the residents or the businesses. A traffic bottle neck will be created whenever two lanes merge into one. The FHWA has found that the engineering firms traffic flow study is flawed, and they failed to do any analysis of the effect of merging two lanes to one. There must be an independent study by a neutral expert engineering firm -- not the same firm that is getting paid for the project. This plan will force more traffic onto the side residential streets and slow the work commute. You can see the effect right now with the snow blocking travel lanes. I experience a much longer commute home.

The needs of the 98% who use the road to get to work and for other necessary life tasks, should not be subordinated to the wishes of the 2% who bicycle for recreation. The bicyclists are a tiny minority, but they are a very vocal lobby. Just answer one question truthfully: How many bicyclists do you see on Mass. Ave. right now? The answer is hardly any to NONE.

Muriel Fudala

17 Marathon St. Arlington, MA 02474

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# THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HIGHWAY DIVISION

## FEDERAL AID PROJECT

## ARLINGTON, MA

## RECONSTRUCTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, FROM POND LANE TO CAMBRIDGE CITY LINE Project File No. 604687

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The final date for receipt of written statements and exhibits for inclusion into the official hearing transcript will be ten (10) days after the Public Hearing. Please type or print legibly.

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	Jack Johnson Title
Name Organization Address	Title  96 BOW St. # 3  Arlington, MA 02474

Lisa Brush 23 Amsden Street Arlington, Mass. 02474

February 26, 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer Mass DOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, Mass. 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

#### Dear Thomas F. Broderick:

My name is Lisa Brush and I am a resident of East Arlington. I am attending the Project Public Hearing tonight to voice my support for the Mass. Ave. Corridor Project. I have not attended any previous Project Public Hearings, but felt compelled to attend this meeting.

I am strongly in favor of proceeding with the plan as it stands. I think the project will be a great benefit to the East Arlington Community. I think it will help both the business and residential communities. I value the pedestrian accessibility of our neighborhood and think the project improvements will enhance this aspect of the community. The current configuration of the streets makes it difficult for my family to cross Mass Ave. I am looking forward to the improved cross walks as this will make it safer for myself and my children.

Please count me in as a strong supporter of this project! Thank you for your time

Sincerely,

Lisa Brush

Henry Brush 23 Amsden Street Arlington, Mass. 02474

February 26, 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E.
Chief Engineer
Mass DOT
10 Park Plaza
Boston, Mass. 02116
Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Thomas F. Broderick:

My name is Henry Brush and I am a resident of East Arlington. I am attending the Project Public Hearing tonight to voice my support for the Mass. Ave. Corridor Project. I have not attended any previous Project Public Hearings, but felt compelled to attend this meeting.

I am strongly in favor of proceeding with the plan as it stands. I think the project will be a great benefit to the East Arlington Community. I find the current configuration of Mass Ave to promote traffic that moves to fast through our neighborhood. I am looking forward to the improved pedestrian access. I think the beautification of the neighborhood including improved sidewalks and plantings will greatly benefit both the residents and business communities. I am also in favor of implementing improved bicycle access. I have considered biking to my job in Cambridge but have always been concerned about my safety. With improved bike access I would certainly consider biking to work rather than driving.

Please count me in as a strong supporter of this project! Thank you for your time and great work on this project

Best regards,

Henry Brush

Christopher Mow 130 North Union St. Arlington, MA 02474 2/20/2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E.
Chief Engineer, MassDOT
10 Park Plaza
Boston, MA 02116
Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I was dismayed to learn that a vocal minority in Arlington was successful in calling a hearing to remove the proposed bike lanes from the Mass Ave Corridor Project. As a year-round bicycle commuter, I ride on Mass Ave through East Arlington almost every day. It is a very dangerous road for cyclists: with no clear car lanes nor bicycle lanes, it is difficult to know where each road user is supposed to travel. I very much support bicycle lanes being added to Mass Ave: both for my own safety but also for the safety of cyclists who are not as experienced as myself. If I were a new or novice cyclist and tried riding on Mass Ave through East Arlington, I would be stressed out and fearful for my safety. We need these bicycle lanes so cyclists know they are entitled to use Mass Ave just the same as the cars and other road users who travel it.

Sincerely,

Christopher P. Mow

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(home) 617-491-9881 (cell) 617-909-3756 February 20, 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

To Whom It May Concern:

I strongly support Arlington's Mass Ave Plan.

Although I live in North Cambridge, I use Mass Ave from route 16 to Arlington Center on almost a daily basis. My wife works at Fabric Corner in Arlington Center, my son and family live in Kelwyn Manor, and my grandson attends the Hardy School. Before retirement I commuted to Burlington, occasionally by bicycle and frequently by car; in both cases taking Mass Ave from Route 16 to at least Arlington Center.

The lack of properly striped travel lanes makes Mass Ave into a slalom course. You can't stay in the rightmost lane because there's usually a car or truck double-parked there. You can't stay in the left lane because there's often somebody waiting to turn left. Even when traffic is relatively light, there's often somebody driving at 25mph right down the middle of the "lane". All of these encourage frequent land changes and other risky maneuvers; bad for cars, worse for bikes.

Midblock crossings by pedestrians are also a problem. Even in a crosswalk, pedestrians are often dressed in dark clothing and hard to see. Add to this the excessive length of the crosswalk and you sometimes get a situation where a one car waits, but a second car passes them with no opportunity to see the pedestrian.

It is especially important to accommodate bicycles safely. Bike traffic in Cambridge has doubled in the last decade and Mass Ave in Arlington is an important feeder. I do not offer an opinion with respect to dedicated bike lanes, but with them or not, we must ensure that bikes are not forced into the door zone, and that double parking and deliveries not obstruct the path that bikes take. Bicyclists have gotten the short end of the stick for many years; it's no wonder that some (not all) of them show contempt for stop lights. Treat them fairly and their behavior will improve.

In summary, it seems to me that the three lane plan is an appropriate response to the situation along Mass Ave, and I recommend that you get on with it without further delay.

John Howard

8 Cogswell Avenue

Cambridge, MA 02140

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- 1) I am against Town of Arlington's Corridor Project design. I am not in favor of putting two 5 foot wide bike lanes on Mass Ave.
- 2) I am not in favor of compromising efficiency for driver, small business delivery vehicles and public transportation (busses) in order to add 2 bike lanes. If one chooses to ride a bike (like I do) they (like I do) can use the Minuteman Bike Trail which is safe and nearby.
- 3) I am in favor of getting State and Federal money to fix this one mile section of Mass Ave and make the road safer for all users. . It seems to me that the common sense plan for EACCC is to make improvements and maintain a safe and efficient road for all users with new street lights, traffic lights, lineage, new curbs and sidewalks where needed and pedestrian activated street lights.
- 4) I have been a resident of Arlington for over Fifty years, lived my childhood on Adams St. 2 house up from Mass Ave (within this one Mile stretch effected by the Corridor Project). My mother still lives on Adams St. and I travel down Mass Ave daily to visit. I know and love this area. I still live in Arlington, but on the west side, so I navigate up and down Mass Ave regularly, whether to visit my mother or to run errands. I feel that the changes proposed by the Town of Arlington will make passage on Mass Ave more difficult by automobile, will create traffic backups and force drivers to take side streets to avoid Mass Ave. As more cars take side streets to avoid Mass Ave the children living in those streets and playing in their driveways will be put at risk from cars trying to avoid the traffic jams. Although biking straight down Mass Ave would be a little faster, The Bikeway is safer and allows one to witness the beauty and history of Spy Pond.

Joseph T. Barinelli

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Arlington, MA 02474

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MASSDOY PROJECT MANAGEMENT Thomas F. Brodenck, P.E.
Chief Engineer, MassDOT
10 Park Plaza
Boston, MA 02116
Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick,

Regarding the Massachusetts Avenue Project in East Arlington, I understand that a small group of Arlington residents are on a path to persuade the planning team to eliminate bike lanes from the project. I'm writing in support of the current project design, which includes bicycle lanes.

I have been a year-round bicycle commuter in Greater Boston, on the road on two-wheels nearly every day since 2003. I am an extremely conscientious and lucky cyclist to say that I have only been involved in minor accidents during all these years. As such, I consider myself an experienced urban cyclist and am comfortable under extreme cycling conditions (blizzards, for example). Over the years, Mass Ave has become one of my most and least favorite paths. It is the most direct route to get to and from area towns but it is also one of the most dangerous roads for cyclists. Specifically in East Arlington, road conditions not ideal: there are many potholes right where cyclists would ride. The intersection of Route 2 and Mass Ave is particularly intimidating: loads of traffic converge, parked cars' doors flying open at any given time and busses pulling over for stops all impact bicyclists' safety.

Since my primary mode of transportation is by bicycle, my experiences in Arlington have led me to adjust my behavior. I don't go into Arlington for any business I can find around Cambridge, Somerville, or Boston. In looking into purchasing a home, I only briefly considered Arlington as option because it does not feel as bicycle friendly as nearby towns. If this project moves forward without dedicated bicycle facilities, it sets a dangerous precedent for projects throughout the state - that people on bikes are not welcome on the road and further fuel the misunderstanding that "Roads are for cars." This is especially relevant now, after the recent case in Wellesley where the grand jury refused to indict the truck driver in a fatal crash with a cyclist despite ample evidence: <a href="http://www.boston.com/news/local/massachusetts/2013/02/15/cyclists-react-with-anger-after-grand-jury-returns-indictment-wellesley-bike-crash-case/NbaHbWRHk7fpez15fKGZhl/story.html">http://www.boston.com/news/local/massachusetts/2013/02/15/cyclists-react-with-anger-after-grand-jury-returns-indictment-wellesley-bike-crash-case/NbaHbWRHk7fpez15fKGZhl/story.html</a>

I truly believe that building proper infrastructure for bike in Arlington will promote community awareness of bicycling and bring more people to its shops and restaurants. With increased ridership, Arlington could be the next town that Hubway expands into (<a href="http://www.thehubway.com/stations">http://www.thehubway.com/stations</a>), bringing more tourists to your town all the way from Boston.

Please consider my input and make plans to allocate space more equitably for all users. Thank you for your time and for your efforts to improve the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Sincerely, Angie Tung Cambridge Resident

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## Letter of Support for Mass Ave Corridor Plan

February 26, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

Last November, I opened a retail shop on Mass Ave in East Arlington. I am writing in support of the Mass Ave Corridor Plan which would transform the current avenue into three automobile traffic lanes and two bicycle lanes.

Since my business has been operating, I have seen a serious need for traffic calming measures. The current roadway is dangerous for both drivers and pedestrians alike. Without specific lanes and bike paths, driving, bicycling or crossing the street is haphazard, unpredictable, and risky. Cars and trucks constantly speed along Mass Ave, passing each other without much order and the new plan addresses these problems.

Though I understand the concerns that the road construction could cause short-term problems for local businesses, these worries are outweighed by the long-term benefits that both residents and businesses would gain. The new plan would help by calming traffic, by connecting both sides of Mass Ave for pedestrians, and by adding much needed bicycle infrastructure. I support the Mass Ave Corridor Plan as the best plan for a safer and more accessible neighborhood.

Thank you,

Ellen Aronson Owner, Salvage Ltd 112 Mass Ave Arlington, MA 02474

From:

Rose, Marie (DOT)

Sent:

Friday, March 01, 2013 5:29 PM

To:

john.mcvann@dot.gov; tomasz.janikula@dot.gov

Cc:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

RE: MassDOT Arlington Hearing Another Fraud

#### John and Tom:

Since I moderated the February 26, 2013 Public Hearing, I can respond to Mr. Kaepplein's assertions.

The 75% plans were on display at the back of the auditorium, as well as a set of plans up front with the panel. Our procedure is to have plans on display, not every single document that constitutes a design submission. The easements needed were shown on the plans that were on display. Acquisition estimates were not available because I don't believe the town has started appraisals yet, due to wanting to wait for the outcome of this public hearing. The surveyed base plan was shown on the construction plans. The question on the survey data was posed to Robin Giando, the MassDOT Right of Way Community Compliance officer, so she did not have knowledge of the date of the original survey used to prepare the base plans, since the town's consultant's surveyor performed the survey.

The previous Public Hearing held in April 2011 did not claim absurdly short pedestrian crossing distances. The bump outs shorten crossing distances by 15'-18' from the current crossing distances. This information could have been given to Mr. Kaepplein if he had asked.

I do not believe the Lake Street intersection was wrongly modeled. The resolution of the projected power point presentation was slightly fuzzy, but still legible. The town's consultant, Alan Cloutier, chose to summarize the slide presentation instead of reading every word.

We believe the Public Hearing was adequately publicized, since over 300 people attended.

From: Mark Kaepplein [mailto:markk02474@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 5:49 PM

To: john.mcvann@dot.gov; tomasz.janikula@dot.gov

Cc: Rose, Marie (DOT)

Subject: MassDOT Arlington Hearing Another Fraud

#### Dear Sirs:

I want to make you aware of several problems with the hearing last night (2/26/2013) in Arlington held by MassDOT for the Mass Ave project in Arlington (number 604687). Note in announcements, references to the project being a federal highway, US, route 3 and also a state highway, MA-2A, were stripped to foster a false impression that the major urban arterial is a village Main Street.

It was called a "Design Public Hearing", yet none of the design documents for the 75% submission, let alone 25% submission were on exhibit for public examination to understand the project. When asked, to see them, we were told that documents were not even present.

Among missing documents were the list of easements, acquisition estimates, or Land Survey Plans. A question was asked by a property owner abutting the project area if survey data was over 100 years old, and no answer was given. Prior to the meeting, a Mass DOT official could only say that there were almost 240 easements.

From:

DOT Feedback Highway

Sent:

Friday, March 01, 2013 3:16 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

FW: Comments on Arlington Mass Ave Redesign Project

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From: Stephen Harrington [mailto:sth.alist@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 8:34 AM To: DOT Feedback Highway; John Waller

Subject: Comments on Arlington Mass Ave Redesign Project

John - please publish this as a letter to the Editor. Thank you!

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer MassDOT - Highway Division 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116-3973 Attn: Project Management

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I've walked in Arlington for most of my life. Living my first 20 or so years near the bottom of Gray Street, meant I walked daily along Pleasant St. to school, to church, to the Boy's Club, to catch a bus and to the Regent theater starting around the age of five or so. At that time, Pleasant Street was four lanes wide, two in either direction. Even with more than 52,000 residents in Arlington, far more than today, Pleasant St. was safe enough for a child to cross alone. Today, Pleasant St. is two lanes and is difficult to navigate during much of the morning and afternoon commute. Congestion makes Pleasant St. difficult to cross, creates delays when trying to make turns out of side streets or left turns onto side streets and has little street scene.

If you want to see the future of Massachusetts Avenue in east Arlington, take a look at Pleasant Street at rush hour.

During the State's second public hearing on narrowing Mass Ave, speakers and elected officials voiced that their top concern was for pedestrian safety. However, the actions of town officials speak far louder than their words. A proposal four years ago to Town Meeting, that the town clear the curbs cuts and mounds of snow at every intersection, went nowhere, generating a mere resolution but no action plan. Anyone who suffers through a normal snow season realizes the town does a poor job in creating a safe environment for pedestrians. Furthermore, look at the state of the brick sidewalks scattered along Mass Ave to see the disdain our town has for the mobility challenged in spite of efforts by disabled citizens to replace these sidewalks with pedestrian friendly and less expensive concrete.

Town officials claim they are concerned with pedestrian safety, their actions prove otherwise.

From:

DOT Feedback Highway

Sent:

Monday, March 04, 2013 10:18 AM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

FW: Mass. Ave. Corridor in Arlington

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Sorry, meant to send this one as an FYI...

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>----Original Message----
>From: Janice Dallas [mailto:Janice@dallas-family.com]
>Sent: Friday, March 01, 2013 3:56 PM
>To: DOT Feedback Highway
>Subject: Mass. Ave. Corridor in Arlington
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>In looking at the 75% plan in detail, one of the things that I noticed
>was that a long bike rack is positioned in front of the Fox Library,
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>In looking at the 75% plan in detail, one of the things that I noticed >was that a long bike rack is positioned in front of the Fox Library, >with a handicapped space next to it. This is a problem for those of us >with side ramp vehicles. I need 8' to lower my ramp and get my chair >out of it.

>If there's a tree, planter, or bike rack in the way of my ramp, I am not >able to park in a HP spot. I would also have a problem if the edge area >of the sidewalk had hard-edged raised pieces, like bricks, that my ramp >would catch on. Please keep this in consideration for your final plan. >
>Janice Dallas, member of Arlington's Commission on Disability >->Janice Dallas
>Janice@dallas-family.com

>"The girl has beauty, virtue, wit,..." - from "Princess Ida"

From:

DOT Feedback Highway

Sent:

Monday, March 04, 2013 12:56 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

FW: Mass Ave Corridor, Arlington

FYI

From: Niloufer Moochhala [mailto:nilou@nymdesign.com]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2013 5:03 PM

To: DOT Feedback Highway

Subject: Mass Ave Corridor, Arlington

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza

Boston, MA 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Sir:

As a local Arlington resident and participant, I support the development of the Mass Ave Corridor Project in East Arlington.

I do believe this project will allow the expansion of community oriented activities that already exist within this neighborhood and enhance the neighborhood for the better - making it safer for young families like myself to be able to participate in that community and have easy walking, bike, and crossing access (as opposed to how it is now).

Sincerely, Nilou Moochhala

Niloufer Moochhala Principal nymDESIGN

w: www.nymdesign.com e: nilou@nymdesign.com

From:

**DOT Feedback Highway** 

Sent:

Monday, March 04, 2013 1:54 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

FW: Arlington MA reconstruction of Mass Ave

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>----Original Message----
>From: Mark Schuldenfrei [mailto:mark@schuldy.org]
>Sent: Monday, March 04, 2013 11:16 AM
>To: DOT Feedback Highway
>Subject: Re: Arlington MA reconstruction of Mass Ave
>I'm writing to offer a brief note of additional public feedback
>on the Massachusetts Ave reconstruction in Arlington, Project File
>No 604687.
>I am a resident of Arlington, and have been continuously since
>around 1991.
>I am satisfied that Arlington's town government has consulted
>with the public on this project, and I am equally satisfied
>that the project plan is proper and appropriate for the
>town and the immediate neighborhood.
>I recognize that this is not a matter for public vote or
>popularity - but I wish to support our local government in
>their diligent work, and in the thoughtfulness of the plan.
>Thank you for your attention, and I look forward to driving
on the improved Massachusetts Avenue at the conclusion of
>this project.
      Mark Schuldenfrei
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From:

TJanikula@dot.gov

Sent:

Monday, March 04, 2013 2:46 PM

To:

susandorson@gmail.com

Cc:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT); John.McVann@dot.gov

Subject:

RE: Mass Ave Corridor Project Support

#### Ms. Dorson,

Thank you for your e-mail indicating your support for the Massachusetts Avenue project in Arlington, as currently designed. I am forwarding your e-mail to the MassDOT Project Manager, Ms. Kimberley Sloan, for consideration in further project development.

Thank you, Tomasz Janikula Area Engineer District 4 FHWA Massachusetts Division

**From:** Office [mailto:susandorson@gmail.com] **Sent:** Monday, February 25, 2013 2:55 PM

**To:** Stephenson, Pamela (FHWA) **Cc:** Janikula, Tomasz (FHWA)

Subject: Mass Ave Corridor Project Support

Dear Ms. Stevenson,

I am writing to let you know that I am in support of the Mass Ave Corridor redesign plan for Arlington, MA. The plan will both beautify and make safer a highly used community hub. I am looking forward to the new bike lanes, the better pedestrian crosswalks and the improved traffic flow that this improvement will bring to the area.

I have lived in this neighborhood for over 10 years and have been anticipating this for the past few years. I also run a business in the area and am very much looking forward to the improvements as a proprietor as well. Please don't let this project stall in perpetuity!

Sincerely,

Susan Dorson

From:

TJanikula@dot.gov

Sent:

Monday, March 04, 2013 4:19 PM

To:

easconsult@comcast.net

Cc:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT); jgrzegor@dot.gov; John.McVann@dot.gov

Subject:

RE: Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue from Pond Lane to the Cambridge City Line,

Project 604687

#### Mr. Starr,

Thank you for your e-mail with an attached letter to Mr. Thomas Broderick of Mass DOT, indicating your support and the support of majority of the Arlington Transportation Advisory Committee for the Massachusetts Avenue project in Arlington, as currently designed. Although you indicated that you would be sending this letter to Mr. Broderick, I am also forwarding your e-mail to the MassDOT Project Manager, Ms. Kimberley Sloan, for consideration in further project development.

Thank you, Tomasz Janikula Area Engineer District 4 FHWA Massachusetts Division

----Original Message-----

From: Edward Starr [mailto:easconsult@comcast.net]

Sent: Sunday, March 03, 2013 6:36 PM

To: Stephenson, Pamela (FHWA); Janikula, Tomasz (FHWA)

Subject: Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue from Pond Lane to the Cambridge City Line,

Project 604687

Dear Ms Stephenson and Mr Janikula,

I am mailing the attached letter to Mr. Broderick at MassDOT tomorrow as a formal submission for the project. I have been involved with the project's formation as Chair of the Transportation Advisory Committee in Arlington. I thought the projects initial history would be of interest to you.

Thank you,

Ed Starr

From:

DOT Feedback Highway

Sent:

Tuesday, March 05, 2013 1:53 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

FW: MassDOT Public Hearing of February 26, 2013 on Mass. Ave. Corridor, Project No.

604687

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>----Original Message----
>From: Christian Klein [mailto:cmqklein@gmail.com]
>Sent: Monday, March 04, 2013 1:43 PM
>To: DOT Feedback Highway
>Subject: MassDOT Public Hearing of February 26, 2013 on Mass. Ave. Corridor,
>Project No. 604687
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>I am writing in favor of the proposed renovation to Massachusetts
>Avenue in Arlington. This project will provide necessary improvements
>to Mass. Ave. without degrading the quality of life in the area. I
>encourage you to approve this project and allow it to move towards
>construction.
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>Thank you,
>
>Christian Klein
>Arlington Town Meeting
>Precinct 10
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18 Hamilton Road, Apt. 205 Arlington, MA 02474 February 19, 2013

Pamela Stephenson Division Administrator Massachusetts Division Federal Highway Administration 55 Broadway 10th Floor Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142

RE: Mass. Avenue Corridor Project, MassDOT Project File No. 604687

Dear Division Administrator Stephenson:

I write to you on behalf of the East Arlington Concerned Citizens Committee (EACCC). In January, 2013, EACCC sent to FHWA its detailed critique of the many flaws within the multimodal analysis performed by Town of Arlington design engineer Fay, Spofford & Thorndike (FST) and dated Oct. 12, 2012. We appreciate receiving a copy of MassDOT Chief Engineer Thomas Broderick's comments relative to EACCC's critique. We believe Mr. Broderick's comments show a lack of knowledge of the operation of this section of Mass. Avenue. He misstates, bends or ignores some MassDOT guidelines and displays a willingness to overlook certain facts--a hallmark of MassDOT behavior with regard to this project over the past four years.

Our response to Mr. Broderick's comments follow:

#### Page 1: Merging Analysis

<u>Broderick</u>: "A merging analysis is not a component of the analysis procedures requested by FHWA. There is no commonly accepted capacity analysis that calculates the delay for a merge into a single lane."

#### **EACCC** response:

It is the responsibility of FST to provide a merging analysis. It must do this. FST has created the roadway design that has removed a vital westbound travel lane for 1 mile. If FST cannot or will not fully analyze what will happen as a result, then it is irresponsible of FST to recommend a Build scenario with a \$6.2 million price tag based on a "shot in the dark".

Any experienced motor vehicle driver knows what happens when traffic traveling in two lanes is squeezed down by 44% into one lane. The dramatic congestion increase will be especially apparent since the corridor is lined with businesses with no back-loading docks resulting in double-parked delivery trucks, is characterized by high parking turnover, and is serviced by three transit bus lines. Further obvious degrading of service levels for 98% of the corridor users will occur because FST has coupled the removal of one westbound lane with no left turn lanes traveling west for ½ mile.

#### Page 2, 1st paragraph immediately under bullet points

<u>Broderick</u>: "The project as proposed creates improvements for all modes of travel and is consistent with MassDOT and FHWA Bicycle and Pedestrian Accommodation Regulations as well as MassDOT's Complete Streets and GreenDOT Policies."

#### **EACCC** Response:

As FHWA has pointed out, FST's multi-modal analysis (even with its inherent flaws which lend bias toward the "Build" scenario) does <u>not</u> show "improvements for all modes of travel" for the Build scenario. Has Mr. Broderick bothered to read the analysis he defends?

## Page 2, 3rd paragraph up from the bottom

<u>Broderick</u>: "It is very important to note that a proposed 4-lane section constructed within the existing roadway curb-to-curb dimensions does not meet current state standards and would require State and Federal approval of a Design Exception to be approved for construction."

#### **EACCC** Response:

This has been asserted by FST and others since before 2009, yet, to date, a standard has never been cited. Please cite the peer reviewed engineering standards publication, its date, date of adoption by MassDOT, and the section and item number of the requirement supporting your claim. The award winning 2006 Mass Highway Project Development and Design Guide, in Section 5.3.2.3, states that 14-foot shared lanes are sufficient. ("Lanes at least 14 feet wide are generally wide enough to permit motorists to pass bicyclists without changing lanes."). Even if 4 feet were to be required for bicycles, the extra foot can be taken from parking and inner travel lane widths and still fit within roadway cross-sections.

## Page 3, 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph under 'Pedestrian'

Broderick: "For the proposed 3-lane configuration, pedestrians will need to cross 37 feet of roadway that is occupied by vehicles (travel lanes). For the 4-lane alternative, pedestrians would need to cross 50 feet of roadway that is occupied by vehicles (travel lanes)."

This claim seems to assert that bicycles do not count as vehicles or are so rare that no conflicts can be expected with pedestrians. If so, bike lanes are pointless. The 4-lane alternative width calculation includes accommodation for bicycles, so an equal/even comparison for the three lane alternative would add the width of two 5-foot bike lanes, bringing the total distance to <u>47 feet</u>, representing less than a one second savings compared to a 4-lane configuration. Pedestrian crossing distance might also be considered at Lake Street, where the greatest number of crossings occurs. Again, there is no significant benefit to pedestrians unless bicycles are considered insignificant.

This is an opportune moment to note that EACCC has raised repeated concern to the Town and MassDOT about the close proximity and parallel route of Minuteman Bikeway in East Arlington, where the two only diverge a mere block from the eastern end of this Corridor Project. We fear unsafe quantities of cyclists will leave safe Minuteman for Mass. Avenue, our main traffic roadway, by invitation of new bike lanes, thus creating new safety issues for pedestrians and people attempting to enter/exit their parked motor vehicles. There has been no attempt by the Town or MassDOT to quantify this potential migration, even though Minuteman is the second most popular Bikeway in the nation.

We first raised this unstudied issue of bicycle migration numbers in early 2009. Up until that time, the Town forthrightly stated its specific goal to attract more bicycles to Mass. Avenue from Minuteman. For example, on its "Mass. Ave. Corridor Project Q&A" dated February, 2009 on the Town of Arlington website, the following question and answers were posted (Exhibit 1):

"Q5. Why do we need bike lanes; Isn't the Minuteman Trail a sufficient alternative?"

#### (Answer)

- o Provide a dedicated space that encourages new riders along the corridor, and invites them to use the corridor and patronize businesses.
- o Provide cyclists an efficient route into Cambridge that is far more direct and faster than the Minuteman. Given the large numbers of pedestrians using the Minuteman, it is often not the best route for the faster cyclists."

Shortly after we first publicly questioned the Town and MassDOT about the wisdom of this goal due to Minuteman proximity, the above Q&A was removed from the Town's website.

## Page 3, under 'Transit'

<u>Broderick</u>: "Other significant improvements to traffic operations include the creation of 10 foot wide bus stops."

#### **EACCC Response:**

Why does MassDOT insist 10-foot wide bus stops are important on Mass. Ave. in order to support having bike lanes, while it felt 7-foot wide bus stops are good for the Beacon Street, Somerville project (#607209) when that Somerville project supports having both bike lanes and a bike track? The implication is that MassDOT does not care about the width of bus stops nearly as much as promoting bike lanes. In any case, a 4-lane plan allows for wide bus stops in the most heavily used locations due to coincident wider road cross-sections, much the way the 3-lane plan uses a 8.5 foot wide bus stop at Melrose Street.

## Page 3, under 'Bicycle', 2nd paragraph:

<u>Broderick</u>: "In order to pass a bicycle in the no build or 4-lane alternative, vehicles would need to change lanes or encroach into the leftmost travel lane as they currently do today. Bicycle lanes give bicyclists a dedicated area to ride and make motorists more aware that there may be bicycles present."

#### **EACCC Response**:

Please document the above unsubstantiated claim that on a road similar to Mass. Avenue and its conditions, a bike lane offered improved safety and level of service sufficient to outweigh diminished service for public transit and motorist modes.

Motorists do not need to change lanes to pass a cyclist. See Mass Highway Project Development and Design Guide, section 5.3.2.3 ("Lanes at least 14 feet wide are generally wide enough to permit motorists to pass bicyclists without changing lanes.").

Area motorists are well aware of cyclists. State law allows cyclists to ride in all Mass. Avenue travel lanes. Cyclists also ride in the adjacent Minuteman Path. Cyclists currently experience no shortage of places to ride.

Page 3, under 'Bicycle', 3rd paragraph:

<u>Broderick</u>: "The addition of marked bicycle lanes is also an improvement to traffic flow. Under the no build and 4-lane alternatives, bicycles will impede traffic while traveling in substandard width shared lanes."

**EACCC** Response:

Please document examples in Massachusetts where the addition of bicycle lanes improved traffic flow and service levels for motor vehicles. Mass. state law allows cyclists to use any travel lane and impede traffic flow whether bike lanes are present or not. No improvement to traffic flow with bike lanes, even if true, could make up for the harm from a lost travel lane.

Page 4, Response:

<u>Broderick</u>: "The Town has held 30 public meetings to date, including Public Workshops and Informational Meetings, Review Committee Meetings, Business Owner Meetings, Board of Selectmen Meetings and including a MassDOT 25% Design Public Hearing as well as a 75% Design Town Open House meeting"

**EACCC Response:** 

This statement is false. First, the Town held no Public Workshops. Mr. Broderick needs to submit the following for each workshop to substantiate his claim: date and time, location, agenda, person(s) conducting the workshop, names of those attending, and minutes. (In Exhibit 2 attached, the second letter from Patricia Leavenworth (MassDOT) to Town Manager Brian Sullivan dated August 9, 2005, asks Sullivan to submit this very meeting documentation to her. If such documentation existed, therefore, MassDOT should have it and be able to produce it.) Second, the list of 30 public meetings Mr. Broderick is referencing includes 4 business meetings and 13 Design Committee meetings that were not public meetings.

Page 5, 'Response' to EACCC Comment #1--Missing Segment:

<u>Broderick</u>: "There are no segments missing from the analysis provided in FST's DRAFT Memorandum, dated October 12, 2012. ...the Urban Streets analysis only utilizes nodes at signalized intersections as part of the analysis. Foster Street is the westernmost signalized intersection. Segment results are only reported between each of these nodes."

**EACCC Response:** 

Mr. Broderick's answer explaining the omission of 23% of the corridor from segment analysis is disingenuous to the point of absurdity. FST acknowledges that <u>Alewife Brook</u> intersection at the eastern end of this project is not part of Arlington. In fact, the Arlington Town Line lies one-third of a block away from the Alewife traffic light. Yet, FST used the Alewife Brook traffic light as its endpoint of a "segment" that extends from Rte. 16's traffic light to the traffic light at Thorndike-Teel Streets.

With the Alewife traffic light not being in Arlington nor part of the Corridor project, by Broderick's logic, FST should have omitted the blocks from the Route 16 traffic light...to Sunapee Rd. ... to Henderson St. ... to the Teel Street traffic light. Thus, FSt's first "Corridor Project only" segment on this eastern end would commence at the Teel Street light and continue to Lake Street! This scenario makes no more sense than Broderick's defense of omitting 23% of the corridor from segment analysis.

At the western end of the project at Pond Lane, it is a short block (from 385 Mass. Ave. to 397 Mass. Ave.) to reach the next traffic light at Franklin Street by the fire house. Inclusion of this short block to the closest traffic light to complete FST's segment analysis would have been logical, defensible, and consistent with FST's handling of the eastern terminus segment. By, instead, applying differing segment standards on either end to exclude 23% of the corridor at the west end, while arbitrarily including Cambridge and DCR property on the east end, FST and Broderick, in his defense of this approach, are inconsistent, hypocritical, and lacking in common sense.

#### Page 5, 'Response' to EACCC Comment #2:

**Broderick:** "Under the current roadway configuration, there is not sufficient width to properly operate three westbound travel lanes and a parking lane in the westbound direction on Mass Ave at Lake Street.

#### **EACCC Response:**

Properly or not, the westbound direction operates defacto as two travel lanes with a left turn lane appearing at Lake Street when needed during peak hours, especially when the light is red and traffic queues. With excess width on the eastbound side, left turning drivers are able to hug the centerline, leaving more space for two travel lanes to flow. Under a 4-lane design, the centerline would be shifted south towards Lake Street to offer more generous lane widths. This would be in addition to the extra space supplied by removal of non-compliant parking opposite Lake Street. Traffic simulations performed are still highly inaccurate at this intersection, showing false performance degradation for a 4-lane plan. False (cooked) results were the only way 3-lanes could be made to look better to- or equal to 4-lanes.

## Page 6, 5<sup>th</sup> paragraph, under Response B

**Broderick:** "B) The previous signalized intersection analysis submitted and approved during the 25% design phase and included in the Functional Design Report does account for the bus activity within this right turn lane."

## **EACCC Response**:

How is possible that a 14-foot shared travel lane requires a design exception, yet none is required when a handicapped parking spot and the most active bus stop in the project are designed in this plan to also function as a right turn lane? Please cite engineering design standards allowing or endorsing this, or show the approved design exception. The current roadway seldom operates this way. The 39+ foot wide half of the roadway allows two through lanes and a right turn lane to form, with the right turn only often encroaching on the parking/bus lane when no bus, delivery truck or theater drop-off vehicle is present. When a bus is present, a right turn lane forms, starting behind the bus stop and waits due to impending conflict with the bus pulling out.

The inaccuracy of the simulation here falsely undermines the congestion problems that exist at the busiest and most dangerous intersection in the project. This seems to be done to make bike accommodation falsely seem like a much bigger need than it is. Standards violations in designing a bus stop and handicapped parking spot to double as a right turn lane seems intended to undermine the actual service loss were best engineering practices used, and to not look worse than the current NO BUILD performance.

#### Same paragraph cited above:

**Broderick:** "We had been previously informed by the town that delivery trucks are not permitted to use this area for loading/unloading during the evening peak hour..."

#### **EACCC Response:**

Please cite the engineering design standards allowing a bus stop and handicapped parking spot to operate as a right turn lane *and* a loading zone. Otherwise, please show the design exception that was granted allowing this.

False simulations combined with a bad turn/bus stop lane design, no loading zone, highest turn, accident, bus loading, and pedestrian crossing counts in the project all demand that the bus stop location be moved out of the intersection to reduce unnecessary conflicts.

### Page 9, 'Response', paragraph 1 & 2:

<u>Broderick</u>: A) It is very important to note that a proposed 4-lane section constructed within the existing roadway curb-to-curb dimensions does not meet current state standards and would require State and Federal approval of a Design Exception to be approved for construction.

A 66-foot wide roadway does not meet MassDOT standards for shared lanes adjacent to parking, which is inferred by the comment. The only portion of the 1-mile project area where the existing roadway width meets or exceeds the required 68-foot width in order to accommodate 15' shared lanes as required is between Orvis Road and Cleveland Street, a distance of 850 feet, which is approximately 15% of the total length of the project. Based on the state's minimum criteria, approximately 85% of the project would need to be widened to 68-feet in order to meet the minimum standards for a 4-lane roadway with shared lanes.

#### **EACCC Response:**

John McVann (FHWA), in his Jan. 13, 2013 to Mr. Broderick, recommended FST analyze an alternative 4-lane design "providing two vehicular travel lanes with shared outside bicycle lane in both directions through the limits of the project". For each state standard cited by Mr. Broderick, he needs to indicate the specific document and location where it can be located, especially for his unsubstantiated claim that there is a requirement for 15' shared travel lanes, and his unsubstantiated claim that MA has minimum criteria that would necessitate "approximately 85% of the project would need to be widened to 68-feet in order to meet the minimum standards for a 4-lane roadway with shared lanes."

In an email from Arlington Senior Planner Laura Weiner dated June 8, 2009 to Donna Janis and copied to John Michalak of FST, Ms. Weiner provides the following Mass. Ave. widths:

"Mass. Ave. is about 68' at Alewife, curb to curb.

84' at Lake Street

66' at Pond Lane.

The roadway is at least 68' wide at the Teel St./Thorndike St. traffic light. There is no parking from Sunapee to the Cambridge C.L. The Functional Design Report of Sept. 2009 states "Mass. Ave. is 80' +/1 wide within the East Arlington Business District, in the vicinity of Lake Street." Where more inches width is desired, it is easily gained by a slight and common reduction in parking lane width or minor curb/drain adjustment. The defacto operation of Mass. Ave. as a 4-lane roadway with bicycles sharing the road is, in and of itself, evidence that a 4-lane plan fits and works.

## Page 12, Urban Street Analysis, Response at bottom of page:

<u>Broderick</u>: ...Since the Urban Street analysis package is very new and hasn't been fully reviewed by the traffic/transportation industry, FST cautioned MassDOT and FHWA that the analysis and the results could give inaccurate and/or unreliable results, and may be confusing to reviewers as well as the public...."

#### **EACCC** Response

The 2006 Mass Highway Project Development and Design Guide requires that bicycle and pedestrian LOS performance be performed and reported, yet these were not done for the 25% submission, nor did MassDOT flag this deficiency. It is perfectly reasonable that the FHWA require use of the engineering peer reviewed and approved 2010 Highway Capacity Manual (HCM2010), Urban Street Analysis to supply the missing, mandated data.

As to EACCC's charge that FST, MassDOT and the Town of Arlington would prefer to keep the poor multi-modal analysis results from public view, has FHWA seen them release the results of the study to the Arlington populace since last October? Neither have we. Their silence has been deafening.

#### Page 14, Comment #2's Response:

**Broderick:** "... In fact, the Town received Notice to Proceed on design and engineering of this project from MassDOT on August 20, 2008. No design work, design concepts, or engineering work was done prior to that date, and therefore, no public outreach occurred prior to 2008."

#### **EACCC** Response:

The first Broderick sentence above is fact, but the second is 100% false. The Town commissioned two engineering studies, Louis Berger and Associate in 2002, and VHB in 2005.

We also attach for your review Exhibit 2 which begins with a formal Project Initiation letter dated July 11, 2005 from Arlington Town Manager Brian Sullivan to Patricia Leavenworth at MassDOT. Paragraph 2 of this letter states the Town had conducted studies "over the past several years" and was enclosing one such study with the Project Initiation letter. This Project Initiation letter of 2005

includes a "Proposed Improvements" chart showing addition of 'bike lanes' for Mass. Ave. and "Narrow to one travel lane per direction" from Franklin St. to Grafton Street and the same narrowing from "Marathon Street to Alewife Brook Parkway".

This letter is followed by an August 9, 2005 letter from Patricia Leavenworth (MassDOT) to Town Manager Sullivan in which she states, "Community support for the project is essential. I understand that preliminary public meetings have been held to present the proposal, solicit ideas and garner public support." And, "...It was mentioned at the meeting that the Boston Area Planning Organization has reviewed this proposal."

Other letters dated in 2006 between Sullivan and MassDOT and the Town and Boston Region MPO show this project had a green light in 2006. Arlington sent out its project engineer bid package in 2006. Clearly, Mr. Broderick did not review MassDOT's own records before writing his Response.

#### Page 14, Comment #2's Response (continued):

<u>Broderick:</u> "There have been numerous opportunities to comment on this project. Many people have done so."

#### **EACCC Response:**

We have provided exhaustive evidence that the Town's public outreach was negligible--deliberately so, we believe, to keep this project under the public radar--up until the time a resident learned of the plan from a surveyor and alerted the local newspaper. If yet more evidence of this is needed, see attached Exhibit 3, another page from the February 2009 Mass. Ave. Corridor Q&A on the Town's website. The answer to the Q8 question: "How is a new idea for the corridor evaluated?" begins thusly: "The Town has held three public meetings to date to discuss plans for the corridor. 50-60 people have attended each meeting, and all comments were heard. An additional meeting on this first draft plan will be held by Mass. Highway, in Arlington, expected to be in the spring." The Town was apparently satisfied with these poor attendance numbers. Note also their attempt to quell any alarm by referring to the 25% Design Public Hearing as a mere review of a "first draft plan".

#### Page 14, Comment #2 response, continued:

Broderick: The...assertion that the Town of Arlington, MassDOT and Fay Spofford & Thorndike collaborated to limit public engagement is contradicted by the facts. Thirty (30) meetings open to the public starting in October, 2008 (including the 2011 MassDOT public hearing were held. Project opponents claim they were excluded from participating prior to 2008. In fact, the Town received Notice to Proceed on design and engineering of this project from MassDOT on August 20, 2008. No design work, design concepts, or engineering work was done prior to that date, and therefore no public outreach on design occurred prior to 2008...."

#### **EACCC Response**

Mr. Broderick claims that the Town of Arlington, MassDOT, and FST did not collaborate to limit public involvement and participation as charged by the East Arlington Concerned Citizens Committee (EACCC). He denies that charge of collusion, offering as proof that no design work, design concepts, or engineering work were done on the Mass Ave Corridor Project prior to August 20, 2008. His position is that there was no need to make the public aware of anything because there was nothing to make the public aware about. There was no conceptualizing of possible

visions of a corridor road way improvement project. There were no private meetings or committee meetings or anything. Mr. Broderick maintains that the EACCC claim of collusion is groundless because there was nothing to collude about.

Mr. Broderick's position could not be further from the truth as evidenced by the following:

#### Å. 2002-2005

The Town's own Mass. Ave. Corridor Time Line sheet indicates that in 2002 there were public meetings in East Arlington to identify community objectives regarding the Corridor Project. Those meetings were private meetings. Notes of those meetings indicate the meetings were for a group called the "Massachusetts Avenue Corridor Working Group".

Fourteen people attended the first meeting of that group on July 10, 2002. Eight of those attending were Town-related (2 members of the Dept. of Public Works [DPW], 1 member of the Louis Berger Group, 1 member of the planning dept., 1 member of the police dept., and 3 members of the Transportation Advisory Committee [TAC]). 6 residents attended. The meeting notes include these entries which make it clear there was a project being discussed in private about the Mass. Avenue Corridor. It is also clear alternatives for the corridor are being discussed in 2002 and bike lanes are on the table:

- o Scott Smith introduced the project, explaining the work done to date." (Emphasis added)
- o "Jim McHugh: Given the lack of loading areas for business, we can expect the trucks will be double parked. Therefore, the bike lanes are problematic. Also the bike lanes don't go anywhere. He likes alternative 1 but without the bike lanes." (Emphasis added.)

Nine people attended the second private meeting of this group on September 4, 2002 and six were Town-related, including Selectman, Diane Mahon, who also currently serves as a Selectman. The meeting notes include these entries:

- o "Rick Bento reported that DPW has hired Louis Berger to do the following tasks under a small study:
  - 1. Contact the City of Cambridge and the MDC for plans and data.
  - 2. Verify conditions in the field.
  - 3. Schedule a meeting with representatives of these entities and representatives of the Town of Arlington to discuss possible solutions..."
- o "Diane Mahon noted that she spoke with Mayor Sullivan during the Hands Across Alewife ceremony. They are ready to move."

### o "Next steps

1. Continue Mass. Ave/Route 16 work"

Therefore, in 2002 a roadway design consultant, Louis Berger, had been hired regarding the corridor and a top Town official was participating in the private discussions about the corridor project.

Eleven people attended the third private meeting of this group on October 10, 2002 and seven of them were Town-related. The meeting notes include these entries:

#### o 'Mass Ave. / Route 16 Intersection

Merle Harris presented four alternatives for the eastbound approach to this intersection."

"Pedestrian / Bike / Bus Counts

Scott Smith handed out graphs of the pedestrian, bike and bus counts. The pedestrian and bike counts are presented below. Each line represents one hour of data collection at a location."

The notes include two tables regarding these counts. Table 1 lists "AM Peak Pedestrian and Bike Counts" at 7 paired locations involving 14 streets (e.g. Oxford/Orvis) on varying days. Table 2 indicates "PM Peak Pedestrian and Bike Counts" in a similar configuration. The notes also indicate the following:

o "Volunteers also collected boarding/alighting (on/off) data for selected bus stops."

#### o "Next Steps

"Members of the group noted that some funds were recently granted for Arlington Center improvements, but no money is yet available for the East Arlington improvements. Without funds for implementation, what is the point of the planning process? (Emphasis added.)"

The notes then reference remarks made by Alan McClennon, a member of the Arlington Planning Dept.:

o "Alan McClennen explained that the development of a vision that the community could agree on was just as important, and by developing a vision, it is more likely that the funds would become available. (Given competing demands for Federal/State funds, they are more likely to go to the community that has an agreed-upon vision on what to do with the money.)"

"There was general agreement in the group that is was time to (a) involve the business community, and (b) bring the process to a larger public, perhaps via charities or other larger public meetings this winter. Perhaps it would be appropriate to identify a group of 10-15 leaders."

Thereafter, although planning had begun in secret on the Mass Ave corridor by a private group in 2002, there were no public meetings in 2002, 2003, 2004, and 2005. There was no public involvement or participation. The public had been eliminated from the development of the Mass. Ave. Corridor although the study and planning continued secretly.

#### B. 2005-2008

The elimination of public involvement and participation continued, although the corridor study, vision creation, and planning were in full swing. Exhibit 2, as you know, provides documentation of a Project Initiation letter sent to MassDOT in July 2005 and several responses from MassDOT moving the project forward.

Although the public still had no knowledge of anything regarding the corridor, Ms. Leavenworth wrote a letter dated February 10, 2006 to Mr. Sullivan. Her letter supported "Reconstruction Massachusetts Avenue from Pond Street to the Cambridge City line, Key # 604687.

"This is to inform you that the Massachusetts Highway Department (MassHighway) has determined that the above project is eligible for Federal Aid HPP funding. This approval is based on an estimated cost of \$2,000,000."

The public still knew nothing about the project when Mr. Sullivan, in a letter dated July 25, 2006, contacted Kenneth S. Muller, Chair of the Transportation Planning and Programming Committee of the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization:

"The Town of Arlington respectfully request that \$256,000 be included in the 2007 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the design component of the Massachusetts Avenue Corridor Project, Phase 1...As you know, the Massachusetts Avenue Corridor Project Phase 1 has been appropriated \$1.6 million dollars as part of the SAFETEA-LU High Priority Projects list...

#### Mr. Sullivan continued:

"The Town of Arlington, through the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) has studied the corridor over the past several years to examine possible infrastructure configurations to improve safety and circulation of pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, and motorists. The TAC has been soliciting input from the community on infrastructure configurations, holding several public meetings to explore options. The community supports improvements to the Mass Ave Corridor. Once the design funds are in place, the TAC and the Town will re-energize the public process and will solicit input from local residents, business owners, and the general community."

TAC never held any public meetings or solicited input from the community on infrastructure configurations. The community did not support the Mass Ave Corridor Project because it knew nothing about the project because public participation had been eliminated. Once the design funds became in place, TAC and the Town did not re-energize the public process because they had never energized it in the first place. TAC and the Town never solicited input from local residents, business owners, and the general community during 2005, 2006, 2007, and 2008 until the DOT

initiated public meeting in October, 2008. Two public participation meetings were held in October, 2008 and no roadway design was presented at either one. The third and final public participation meeting was held on Feb. 5, 2009. As shown in Exhibit 3 attached, a mere 50 to 60 people attended each of these meetings. Involving the public was the last thing TAC and the Town wanted to do. MassDOT and FST agreed.

FHWA and MassDOT policy, regulation, and procedure emphasize the critical importance of public participation and involvement in the development of a roadway project. FHWA states "Public involvement needs to be an early and continuing part of the transportation and project development process." MassDOT states "Public outreach is integrated into every step of the project development process." The Town, MassDOT, and FST colluded to eliminate public participation and involvement from 2002-2008 in the development of the Mass. Ave. Corridor project. The roadway design was revealed to the public for the first time at Arlington's third and final public participation meeting held on February 5, 2009 and railroaded through at that meeting.

Page 14, Comment #2's Response (continued):

Broderick: "The original plan had 2 lanes, and now has 3."

The 2-lane plan was so completely unrealistic, unacceptable, and forgettable that traffic simulations were pointless. The only reason for presenting this plan seemed to be the need to present an alternative to the 3-lane plan that was not 4 lanes. Both the 2002 and 2005 engineering studies had determined that 2 lanes could not sustain existing traffic volumes, let alone future ones.

Sincerely, ON BEHALF OF EACCC

Eric Berger Eric Berger

CC:

John McVann, Director of Project Delivery, FHWA
Tomasz Janikula, Area Engineer, District 4
Patricia Leavenworth, P.E., District Highway Director, MassDOT
Frank DePaola, Highway Administrator, MassDOT
Adam Chapdelaine, Town Manager, Arlington

# **EXHIBITS**

- 1. Town of Arlington website document, Feb. 2009: "Q5: Why do we need bike lanes?"
- 2. July 11, 2005 Project Initiation Letter from Town to MassDOT (etc.)
- 3. Town of Arlington website document, Feb. 2009: "Q8: How is a new idea for the corridor evaluated?"

Town of Arlington website



#### Q3. How is this different from Pleasant Street (Route 60)?

The evening backups Pleasant Street arise from

- Insufficient room to get around motorists turning left onto a side street
- The single through lane of traffic at the light at Moss Ave.

The Mass Ave comidor design is different in that in allows room to get around turning vehicles, and is careful to maintain the needed capacity at signalized intersections.

### Q4. Has anybody actually done traffic counts, to support the design?

Yes, since 2001, three studies with traffic counts have been done by three separate firms. The most recent set of counts were in support of the current plan, and were done in October 2008. All three studies came to the same conclusion: on most of the corridor, only a single through lane is needed, so long as space is provided for left-turning traffic, and that two through lanes are provided eastbound on the approaches to Lake Street and Route 16.



# Q5. Why do we need bike lanes; isn't the Minuteman Trail a sufficient alternative?

The bike lanes

- Accommodate the State Law (Chapter 90E) and MassHighway guidelines that call for bicycle and pedestrian accommodation on state-funded road construction projects



- Provide a dedicated space that encourages new riders along the corridor, and invites them to use the corridor and patronize businesses.
- Provide cyclists a clear place to be, so that they are less likely to illegally ride on the sidewalk, weave through traffic, or ride in the wrong direction.
- Provide a route for Alewife bicycle commuters when the Minuteman Trail is too icy for safe bicycle use.
- Serve destinations (the homes and businesses along the comidor) that are simply not served by the Minuteman.



- Provide cyclists an efficient route into Cambridge that is far more direct and faster than the Minuteman. Given the large numbers of pedestrians using the Minuteman, it is often not the best route for the faster cyclists.
- Encourage cyclists to ride further away from opening car doors, thus reducing the risk of "dooring" accidents.
- Remind motorists to look for cyclists when turning or opening car doors



# Town of Arlington Office of the Town Manager

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July 11, 2005

Ms. Patricia Leavenworth, P.E. District Highway Director MassHighway 519 Appleton Street Arlington, MA 02476

Re: Arlington- Massachusetts Avenue

Request for Project Initiation and Entry into PROJIS/PARS

Dear Ms. Leavenworth:

On behalf of the Town of Arlington, I request your support in securing construction funding for Transportation Improvements to Massachusetts Avenue, from Mill Street to Alewife Brook Parkway, for an approximate length of 1.6 miles.

Mass Ave has a functional classification of Urban Principal Arterial. The Town of Arlington, through its Transportation Advisory Committee, has studied the corridor over the past several years to determine what infrastructure repairs could be completed to improve the safety and circulation of pedestrians, traffic, bicyclists, and transit that use the corridor. The enclosed traffic study has been completed recently to review the transportation trends on Mass Ave and to recommend improvements that could be implemented to obtain a higher level of safety for all that enjoy Mass Ave.

The Massachusetts Avenue roadway cross section is relatively wide: 2 lanes of vehicular travel can be accommodated in both directions, although the travel lanes are poorly defined. Sidewalks, in various degrees of repair, adjoin legal and illegal parking stalls on either side of Mass Ave. There are currently no defined bicycle accommodations on Mass Ave, although bicyclists use the corridor as a commuter route. In addition, the Minuteman Bikeway crosses Mass Ave at the Pleasant Street intersection, which requires bicyclists to travel along and cross Mass Ave.

There are six signalized intersections in the subject area that operate at various levels of service. Two of these intersections have crash rates well above the District 4 standards. Crosswalks are located at signalized and unsignalized intersections and also at mid block locations where foot traffic is concentrated. This stretch of roadway has a very high number of pedestrian and bicycle crashes.

The Town has worked to have \$2,000,000 included in the Transportation Equity Act- A legacy for All Users (TEA-LU) for this improvement project; however, the town anticipates that the construction costs for this project will likely be \$2,500,000. A summary of the improvements that the town anticipates is attached to this letter.

The justification for these improvements is included in the encloseded Traffic Study. I hope you agree that this project is viable, and worthy of the funding that has been earmarked for improvements on Massachusetts Avenue. If you have any questions, or wish to discuss this project further, I would be happy to meet with you to discuss. Thank you for your consideration, I look forward to your favorable endorsement.

Very truly yours,

Brian J. Sullivan

Brian Sullivan Town Manager

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Massachusetts Avenue:	Existing Conditions	Proposed Improvements
From Mill St to Franklin St (Arlington Center)	Two lanes per direction Several unprotected sidewalks	Maintain existing two lanes per direction with additional turning lanes at intersections as nece     Upgrade and coordinate traffic signals     Provide neck-downs at unsignalized crosswalks     Maintain existing parking
From Franklin St to Grafton St	Two lanes per direction Several unprotected sidewalks	Narrow to one travel lane per direction with additional turning lanes as necessary     Upgrade traffic signals     Provide neck-downs at unsignalized crosswalks     Maintain existing parking     Create a five-foot marked bicycle lane     Widen existing sidewalks or provide planting strip, where possible
From Grafton St to Marathon St (Lake Street District)	Two lanes per direction Several unprotected sidewalks	Transition back to two lanes per direction with additional turning lanes at intersections as necessary to the second section of the second secon
From Marathon St to Alewife Brook Pkwy	Two lanes per direction Several unprotected sidewalks	1. Narrow to one travel lane per direction 2. Upgrade traffic signals 3. Provide neck-downs at unsignalized crosswalks 4. Maintain existing parking 5. Bicycle lane provided on both north and south side of Massachusetts Avenue



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August 9, 2005

Brian F. Sullivan Town Manager 730 Massachusetts Avenue Arlington, MA 02476-4908

Re: Arlington - Massachusetts Avenue, Roadway Reconstruction

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Dear Mr. Sullivan:

Thank you for meeting with Constance Raphael and Brian Fallon of my staff regarding your recent request for project initiation for the subject roadway reconstruction project. As discussed at the meeting the District generally supports your proposal and recognizes the need for transportation improvements along this important corridor; however, there are certain issues that require clarification prior to consideration by the Project Review Committee (PRC).

Community support for the project is essential. I understand that preliminary public meetings have been held to present the proposal, solicit ideas and garner public support. Please submit any documentation you may have on these meeting dates, approximate attendance, level of support and any specific concerns that have arisen. It was mentioned at the meeting that the Boston Area Planning Organization (MPO) has reviewed this proposal. Please submit any response you may have regarding their support for the proposal. It is our understanding that improvements to Massachusetts Avenue have been included in the reauthorization of TEA-21 as a High Priority Project. Any information you have regarding the exact intent of this earmark and how this proposal meets that intent should be submitted.

While it appears the existing right-of-way will be adequate for the work proposed, as the design progresses it may become apparent that rights-of-entry and/or temporary easements will be required. The town must make a firm commitment to fund the design of the project and acquire any right-of-way that may be needed.

It appears that design exceptions may be needed especially in the Town center portion of the project. All apparent design exceptions must be identified. Associated impacts to rights-of-way and the environment relative to the Massachusetts Highway Department's desired, minimum and proposed design elements must be included.

The intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and Pleasant Street (Route 60) is considered a high crash location. It is my understanding that the Town has a consultant examining this intersection as well as the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and Medford Street and the intersection of Route 60 and Chestnut Street. The Town should submit the consultant's report including information on traffic operations, an accident analysis and a proposed plan to alleviate the accident potential.

Brian Sullivan Arlington – Massachusetts Avenue August 9, 2005 Page 2

Please remember that this project will be evaluated using the Transportation Project Evaluation Criteria. Information relating to condition, mobility, safety and security, community effects and support, land use and economic development, environmental effects and cost effectiveness will be required to appropriately evaluate this project in relation to other proposed projects. I encourage the town to utilize the Transportation Project Evaluation Criteria when evaluating roadway needs and developing new projects.

Finally, it was discussed at the meeting that the corridor seems to lend itself to two distinct projects. The proposal for the section from Pond Street to Alewife Brook Parkway calls for pavement narrowing, better lane definition, bike lanes, a wider green space and possible enhancements. Work in the town center section could be consider as a separate project since it involves mostly signal upgrading and pavement resurfacing except in the Water Street to Mill Street area. If you agree with this approach please submit documentation specific to two separate projects.

The District looks forward to your response and the additional information requested. If you have any questions regarding the requested information, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Michael Galvin, District Project Development Engineer, at (781) 641-8474.

Sincerely,

Patricia A. Leavenworth, P.E. District Highway Director

cc: Barbara Lucas, MAPC
John Blundo, P.E., Chief Engineer
Michael Galvin, District Project Development Engineer



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Kerry Healey Lt. Governor John Cogliano Secretary Luisa Palewonsky Commissioner



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February 10, 2006

Brian Sullivan, Town Manager Town of Arlington 730 Massachusetts Avenue Arlington, MA 02476

Re: Arlington – Reconstruction Massachusetts Avenue from Pond Street to the Cambridge City line, Key # 604687

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

This is to inform you that the Massachusetts Highway Department (MassHighway) has determined that the above project is eligible for Federal Aid HPP funding. This approval is based on an estimated cost of \$2,000,000.

This approval is contingent upon several other steps. The project must be included in the approved Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Since the TIP is financially constrained, any requests for amendments should be coordinated through the Boston Metropolitan Planning Organization. In the event this project does not make the TIP, it will be carried in the pending list for informational purposes. All projects, even though in the TIP, are subject to the availability of State and Federal funding at each stage.

The Town of Arlington is responsible for funding and managing the design of this project. The Town is also responsible for acquiring any right-of-way necessary. If the Town does not complete the engineering plans in a timely manner, the project may be withdrawn from the program. Water and sewer work in the area will also be the responsibility of the Town and should be completed prior to the start of construction. If the Town chooses to hire an engineering consultant to prepare the design, it is recommended that the consultant be previously approved by the Architects and Engineers Review Board.

The Town will also be required to follow Engineering Directive E-02-005 regarding Early Environmental Coordination for Design Projects. Prior to the start of construction the Town will be required to enter into an agreement with MassHighway outlining the division of work and the division of expense. A sample agreement is attached for your information.

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Prior to the commencement of the preliminary survey, the designer should contact the MassHighway's Survey Office at (617) 973-7483, to obtain horizontal and vertical control for the project. For survey notebooks to record field notes, the designer should contact the District Four Survey Office at (781) 641-8461. These notebooks must be returned to the District Four Survey Office upon completion of the project design.

All MassHighway projects must be designed and constructed in compliance with the specifications set forth in Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (AAB) 521 cmr 1.00 et seq. The AAB issued a revision to the Rules and Regulations on February 23, 1996 with the full impact taking effect on September 1, 1996. The Town through its designer is responsible for ensuring that the design of a project funded by MassHighway is in compliance with AAB. Any right-of-way necessary for the construction to be in compliance with AAB is the responsibility of the Town. In addition, the Town is responsible for obtaining any AAB waivers from compliance associated with the project. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in delay of construction and the possibility of funds being re-appropriated to other communities.

Please contact Mr. Michael Galvin, District Project Development Engineer at (781) 641-8474, if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Patricia A. Leavenworth, P.E. District Highway Director

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Attachment

cc: John G. Sanchez, Commissioner of Public Works
Barbara Lucas, MAPC
John Blundo, Chief Engineer
Michael Galvin, D.P.D.E.



# Town of Arlington Office of the Town Manager

Brian F. Sullivan Town Manager 730 Massachusetts Avenue Arlington MA 02476-4908 Phone (781) 316-3010 Fax (78!) 316-3019 E-mail: bsullivan@town.arlington.ma.us

March 7, 2006

Ms. Patricia Leavenworth, P.E. District Highway Director MassHighway 519 Appleton Street Arlington, MA 02476

Re: Arlington-Massachusetts Avenue

Project Number 604687

Request for Design Funding Assistance

Dear Ms. Leavenworth:

On behalf of the Town of Arlington, I am requesting your support to advance the design of the Massachusetts Avenue project by releasing \$ 427,993.85 of the monies earmarked as part of the SAFETEA- LU High Priority Projects list for the Massachusetts Avenue project for design completion. A copy of the Scope of work, and work hour estimate needed for this effort is attached to this letter for your review, and consideration.

The Town has discussed this request with representatives from your office, as well as with representatives from the Mass Highway Boston Planning office. Recent interpretation of the definition of construction monies by FHWA includes the use of earmarked construction monies to facilitate the design and permitting of construction projects. Your support of this request is greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please don't hesitate to call. We are in the process of contacting MAPC to request that design monies for this project be put on the 2006 TIP. Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

TOWN OF ARLINGTON
Brian F. Sullivan

Brian Sullivan Town Manager

Attached



# Town of Arlington Office of the Town Manager

Brian F. Sullivan Town Manager

730 Massachusetts Avenue Arlington MA 02476-4908 Phone (781) 316-3010 Fax (78l) 316-3019 E-mail: bsullivan@town.arlington.ma.us

March 8, 2006

Mr. Kenneth S. Miller, Chair Tranportation Planning and Programming Committee Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization Ten Park Plaza Suite 2150 Boston, MA 02116

Re: Arlington- Massachusetts Avenue Project Number 604687

Request for Design Funding Assistance

Dear Mr. Miller:

On behalf of the Town of Arlington, I am requesting your support to advance the design of the Massachusetts Avenue project by releasing \$ 430,000.00 of the monies earmarked as part of the SAFETBA- LU High Priority Projects list for the Massachusetts Avenue Improvement Project for design completion, as part of the 2006 Transportation Improvement Program.

Massachusetts Avenue has been appropriated \$1.6 million dollars as part of the SAFETEA-LU High Priority projects list. We are requesting that a portion of this money be programmed on the 2006 Transportation Improvement Program for design services needed to advance the project. Recent interpretation of the definition of construction monies by FHWA includes the use of earmarked construction monies to facilitate the design and permitting of construction projects.

The construction cost for the Massachusetts Avenue project has been estimated at \$1.8 million dollars. It is anticipated that the federal earmark for Mass Ave would be used to cover the design of the project, as well as most of the estimated construction costs. It is likely that the construction of this project could commence in 2008. The Project Initiation Forms for the construction component of this project will be forwarded to you shortly under a separate cover.

The Massachusetts Avenue Improvement project is the Town's number one priority. We are excited to move this project ahead, and greatly appreciate your support. If you have any questions regarding this request, please don't hesitate to call.

Very truly yours,

town of Arlington Brian F. Sullivan

Brian Sullivan Town Manager



# Town of Arlington Office of the Town Manager

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July 25, 2006

Mr. Kenneth S. Miller, Chair Transportation Planning and Programming Committee Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization Ten Park Plaza, Suite 2150 Boston, MA

Reference: 09145.00

Re: Request by the Town of Arlington to include the Design of Phase 1 of the Massachusetts Avenue Corridor Project on the 2007 Transportation Improvement Program

Dear Mr. Miller:

The Town of Arlington respectfully requests that \$256,000 be included in the 2007 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the design component of the Massachusetts Avenue Corridor Project, Phase 1. An estimate formatted in the preferred Mass Highway spreadsheet is attached for your review. The Town of Arlington also respectfully requests that \$2,000,000 be included on the 2008 TIP for the construction of Phase 1 of this project.

As you know, the Massachusetts Avenue Corridor Project Phase 1 has been appropriated \$1.6 million dollars as part of the SAFETEA-LU High Priority Projects list. The Town has requested clarification as to whether the monies earmarked for High Priority Projects can be used to advance the design of the project. The reply to this request for clarification from Paul Mahoney of the Federal Highway Administration, was as follows: ".... Per 23 U.S.C. 101(a)(3), the definition of 'Construction' will include Environmental Documentation, Design, and ROW Acquisition activities, as well as physical construction." Thus it is appropriate for the town to request the use of a portion of the earmark monies for the design of the Massachusetts Avenue Corridor Project, Phase 1.

The Massachusetts Avenue roadway cross section is relatively wide: two lanes of vehicular travel can be accommodated in both directions, although the travel lanes are poorly defined. Sidewalks, in various degrees of repair, abut legal and illegal parking stalls on either side. There are currently no defined bicycle accommodations, although bicyclists use the corridor often as a commuter route. The Minuteman Bikeway crosses Mass Ave at the Route 60 intersection.

Phase 1 of this project will extend from the Cambridge City Line to Pond Lane, for an approximate length of 5,160 linear feet. The intent of the project is to redesign the current roadway cross section to better accommodate the multimodal use of the corridor and provide for safer passage for pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation users and motorists. The town has requested and received approval from Mass Highway for this phase of the project to be included to the PROJIS/PARS. The MHD project number is 604687. The town is planning to review the remaining cross section of Mass Ave from Pond Lane to Arlington Heights as a separate initiative to follow Phase 1 at a later date. Phase 1 is the most critical area.

The Town of Arlington, through the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) has studied the corridor over the past several years to examine possible infrastructure configurations to improve the safety and circulation of pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, and motorists. The TAC has also been soliciting input from the community on infrastructure configurations, holding several public meetings to explore options. The community supports improvements to the Mass Ave Corridor. Once the design funds are in place, the TAC and the Town will re-energize the public process and will solicit input from local residents, business owners, and the general community.

The current construction cost for Phase 1 of the project has been estimated at \$2,000,000; the combined design and construction cost is estimated at \$2,256,000. We feel that these estimates are accurate in that they are based on current cost trends in the consultant and construction industry. The town will make every effort not to exceed these costs through the design and construction process.

We have been laying the groundwork for the Mass Ave Corridor Project for several years. The Town is anxious and excited to commence the design activities on the number one transportation priority for Arlington. We hope we have your support for this request, and if so it is greatly appreciated.

If you would like to discuss the project further, please call at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

Brian F. Sullivan Town Manager

Enclosure: Design Cost Estimate Spread Sheets



# BOSTON METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

September 6, 2006

State Transportation Building Ten Park Plaza, Suite 2150 Boston, MA 02116-3968 Tel. (617) 973-7100 Fax (617) 973-8855 TTY (617) 973-7089 www.bostonmpo.org.

John Cogliano MPO Chairman Mr. Brian F. Sullivan Manager, Town of Arlington 730 Massachusetts Avenue Arlington, MA 02476

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

Thank you for your recent letter in support of the Massachusetts Avenue Arterial and Intersection project in Arlington (MassHighway No. 604687). I appreciate your advocacy on behalf of transportation projects that are important, both locally and regionally, to the municipalities and agencies of the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization.

Your letter includes two separate requests regarding the Massachusetts Avenue Arterial and Intersection project: (1) that \$256,000 of SAFETEA-LU High Priority Project funds be programmed for the design component of the project in the Federal Fiscal Year 2007 element of the FFY 2007-2010 Transportation Improvement Program and (2) that \$2 million be programmed for the construction component of the project in the FFY 2008 element of the draft FFY 2007-2010 TIP.

At its meeting on August 17th, the Boston Regional Metropolitan Planning Organization voted to program the use of \$278,000 in federal funds in FFY 2007 for the design of the Massachusetts Avenue project. Once the FFY 2007-2010 TIP has been formally accepted by the U.S. Department of Transportation, the funding is available for use. I would recommend that you contact Michael Galvin, Project Development Engineer at MassHighway District 4, to arrange an opportunity to discuss the matter in person. Please note that the use of Title 23 (High Priority Project) funds is governed by a myriad of state and federal regulations and contracting requirements.

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As design and other preparatory work for the Massachusetts Avenue project has not yet been completed, it would be premature to program the requested \$2 million for construction in the FFY 2008 element of the draft TIP. That decision will be made by the Transportation Planning and Programming Committee of the Boston Region MPO – a body of 14 voting members and three non-voting members, including seven elected officials representing four cities and three towns – when the project is at a more advanced point.

I appreciate your participation in the transportation planning process for the Boston Region. If you have any additional questions or requests, please don't hesitate to contact me at (617) 973-8064 or Sam Snead, Boston Region MPO TIP Coordinator, at (617) 973-7129.

Sincerely,

Kenneth S. Miller, P.E.

Chair, Transportation

Planning and

Programming Committee

cc: Judith Riley, Executive Office of Transportation David Anderson, MassHighway Engineering Michael Galvin, MassHighway District 4



# Town of Arlington Office of the Town Manager

Brian F. Sullivan Town Manager 730 Massachusetts Avenue Arlington MA 02476-4908 Phone (781) 316-3010 Fax (781) 316-3019 E-mail: bsullivan@town.arlington.ma.us

April 5, 2007

Ms. Patricia Leavenworth District 4 Highway Director Massachusetts Highway Department 519 Appleton Street Arlington, MA 02476

RE: Mass. Ave. Corridor Phase 1, Project # 604678

Dear Ms. Leavenworth,

Enclosed for your review is a revised Scope of Work and Work Hour Estimate for the Mass. Ave. Corridor Phase 1 Design, in the amount of \$344,400. Please send us a reimbursable agreement for this amount at your earliest convenience. Please let us know if we can provide you with anything further.

Sincerely,

Brian F. Sullivan

Town Manager

Cc: Kevin O'Brien, Planning Director

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Connie Raphael, District Planning Coordinator

- Enable motorists to travel further to the left than they otherwise would, improving visibility between them, traffic entering from side streets, and pedestrians.

### Q6. What is wrong with the existing crosswalks? Don't we just need enforcement?

Although, thanks to the efforts of the Police Department, more motorists are now yielding to pedestrians in crosswalks, we can't have enforcement everywhere all of the time. A more sustainable solution is to engineer the road to improve safety for both pedestrions and drivers.

Marked uncontrolled crosswalks on busy 4-lane roads have a poor sofety record, most likely due to

- Excessive crossing distances (the pedestrian is exposed to traffic for a greater period of time, with no refuge)
- The possibility of multiple threat crashes, where a motorist in one lane stops, but the motorist in the adjoining lane proceeds and hits the pedestrian.

Ways to improve these crosswalks include

- Shortening the crossing distances
- Providing pedestrian refuges, where possible
- Reducing motorist speeds
- Reducing the number of lanes, where possible, so that multiple threat crashes don't occur

For further information:

http://www.walkinginfo.org/engineering/crossings-crosswalks.cfm

#### Q7. What about crosswalks at bus stops?

The project includes the addition of three new crosswalks, near Bates Road, Harlow Street and Milton Street. The last two will serve bus stops that are not currently served by crosswalks.



#### Q8. Haw is a new idea for the corridor evaluated?

The Town has held three public meetings to date to discuss plans for the corridor. 50-60 people have attended each meeting, and all comments were heard. An additional meeting on this first draft plan will be held by Mass. Highway, in Arlington, expected to be in the spring. Additionally, comments can be sent by email to the Senior Planner. Comments are compiled and sent to the project engineer, designer, and the Review Committee, made up of Town residents and neighborhood residents, and business owners. This group includes a number of transportation professionals living in Arlington. All comments are carefully considered, and balanced with other comments and the goals of the project. This information has been compiled and posted online at arlingtonma.gov/massave.

18 Hamilton Road, Apt. 205 Arlington, MA 02474 February 28, 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer MassDOT - Highway Division 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116-3973

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MASSDOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Re: MassDOT Public Hearing of February 26, 2013 on Mass. Ave. Corridor Project No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick:

I spoke at the MassDOT February 26, 2013 public hearing in Arlington's Town Hall about the Mass. Ave. Corridor Project. I sent an email to Kimberly Sloan prior to February 26 requesting that the East Arlington Concerned Citizens Committee (EACCC) and she come to a mutual understanding about the time limit for each speaker. She refused to do this and, at the hearing, I was unable to deliver all my remarks, although I added to my opening by disputing Senator Donnelly's scare tactic statement that a 4-lane roadway would never receive state and federal funding. I told the Senator he had been misled. A complete copy of my remarks appears below.

Ms. Sloan refused to cooperate in another way. She never sent the EACCC a copy of the latest LOS analysis, even though she was informed on February 1 by Mr. Janiikula of FHWA that the EACCC would like a copy.

The hearing transcript will indicate that the public was misled by FST's statements that MassDOT requires 68 feet of roadway on the corridor and a shared travel lane must be 15 feet wide. These statements are not true, nor is the claim expressed at the hearing that the No Build will require elimination of parking on either the north or south sides of the corridor.

The transcript record will also indicate that Alan Cloutier of FST did a very incomplete and confusing presentation of its most recent LOS analysis comparing the Build and No Build Scenarios. The data were not made available to the public. His presentation directly violated the letter and spirit of Mr. McVann's expectation as expressed in his January 23, 2013 letter to you. In that letter, Mr. McVann stated FHWA expects the public would be made aware of "the results of additional multimodal analysis conducted on the project..." It was your responsibility to see that was done in a first rate manner.

functions mostly as one tene or each size. This proposterous statement was met with each time and display them the autience who know what the eyes see on a daily casts on Mass. Avenue in fact, in FST's first Functional Design Report dated September 2009 as submitted to MassDOT, FST stated on Page 15, 2.0 Existing Conditions, 2.1 Geometrics: "Massachusetts Avenue is typically a four-lane road." On the same page FST states: "There are typically two travel lanes in each direction..." And, on page 24, 3.0 Improvements, 3.3 Travel Lane Requirements: "Essentially two travel lanes exist on Massachusetts Avenue in each direction." All of these 4-lane road characterizations by FST were excised from their second Functional Design Report dated November 2010. Such duplicity, both verbal and written, is unethical. The Arlington public deserves better.

It was also your responsibility to make certain the public record was set straight regarding the excellent quality of the 2010 Highway Capacity Manual (HCM), Chapter 16, Urban Street Facilities methodology, especially since I had communicated to Ms. Sloan prior to the hearing that the leaders of the pro-bike lane and pro-3 travel lanes East Arlington Livable Streets Coalition (EALS) had publicly described that software as "untested". I am certain you are aware that under the leadership of Ray Derr, Project manager of the National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP), that multimodal arterial level of service methodology was developed under NCHRP Project 3-70. The results of the \$1.1m research effort were extensively discussed and refined and approved by the TRB Committee on Highway Capacity and Quality of Service before they were incorporated inn the HCM. That committee, as you know, is comprised of many of the leading international researchers in the operational analysis of roads.

Even more distressing, however, were Mr. Cloutier's remarks about the methodology. He was apologizing for the software rather than praising its advances over previous methodologies. Furthermore, he referred more than once to its newness, implying it had imperfections. He gave the impression it was on a trial run. He was subtly denigrating the software and FHWA's requirement that it be used. I conclude that MassDOT also does not respect that software despite its excellence and improvement over previous methodologies.

There were other significant failures by MassDOT which undermined the purpose and effectiveness of this Public Hearing:

### 1. No required display of the following documents for public review:

- A. No stamped certified land surveyor drawings.
- B. No plan documents submitted to MassDOT at 25% and 75% levels.
- C. No engineer drawings or any other documents in the 75% submission.
- D. No list of easements.
- On display were two landscape posters and pictures of trees and plants.
   (One member of the public speaking at the microphone said he had looked at the posters but couldn't figure out his answer because he didn't see any measurements.)
- 3. The projector was out of focus. Nobody attempted to put it in focus when members of the audience indicated they were having trouble reading the text.
- 4. No hand outs were provided for the material that was projected.
- 5. <u>Very few answers were provided by MassDOT, FST, or the Town to questions posed by audience members during the Q&A session.</u>

For example: one resident said she owns a home on Mass. Avenue and had learned that on page two of FST's 75% engineering drawings, note number 5 from the surveyor says that property lines are only "approximate". She'd heard that the last survey was done approximately 100 years ago and asked: How can you lay out a road or take 240 private property easements without knowing exactly where property lines are? Does that break any laws or regulations? Who is your land surveyor, and when will he or she be surveying these properties? These are all critical questions but generated <u>not one</u> answer from the front--not from MassDOT, FST, or the Town. The resident sat down.

How does MassDOT hold a public hearing on a project and have no plan documents on display for the public to see?

We were also greatly disappointed at the lack of control of the meating by MassDDT's moderator. Ware Horse. She attowed rhything dispoint by the like representatives who sat primarily in one section, and which started whenever a speaker against the planeers and the Borne and which started whenever a speaker against the planeers and the planeers. She add nothing to stop this. A sign was held over the side of the balcony which depicted the number 4 in a circle with a slash mark through it. Supposedly this was a symbol for getting rid of 4 lanes to the bike enthusiasts, who started their rhythmic clapping and jeering when it appeared. Marie Rose allowed this disrespectful behavior to continue throughout the hearing. Many of the older folks in the audience felt intimidated by this and I believe it affected their willingness to speak at the microphone.

This hearing was a huge failure regarding meeting its requirements and FHWA expectations. I charge that MassDOT purposely disrespected the intent for the FHWA hearing and, thereby, FHWA. Last night's hearing was part of the pattern begun by the Town back in 2002 to keep the public uninformed.

Sincerely,

Eric Berger

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C.C. Pamela Stephenson, FHWA MA Division, Administrator John McVann, FHWA MA Division, Director of Project Delivery Tomasz Janikula, FHWA MA Division, Area Engineer, District 4 Maria Romano, Chairperson, EACCC

# ERIC BERGER'S COMMENTS FOR 2/26/13 MASSDOT PUBLIC HEARING: MASS. AVE. CORRIDOR PROJECT

My name is Eric Berger. I'm an Arlington resident and Town Meeting member. I speak tonight for many thousands of Arlington residents, the 98% traveling on Mass. Avenue in motor vehicles, who are sick and tired of getting the removal of a traffic lane shoved down their throats. The 98% majority is worried sick about the possibility of a Mass. Avenue with

only 3 travel lanes. Recent snow storms have pounded home the inconvenient truth of what happens when a travel lane is lost: gridlock like on Lake and Pleasant Streets, degrading of service, increase in side street traffic, and slowed response times of emergency vehicles. In their homes and hearts, our residents love Arlington but they're disgusted with the lies justifying removing a lane, like the lie about how the Town must install bike lanes to get state and federal money.

The Town's plan to eliminate a traffic lane was developed in secrecy. The Town eliminated PUBLIC PARTICIPATION from the development of the corridor project for a 6 year period from 2002 - 2008. This secrecy violated MassDOT and FHWA regulations. During those six years, no public meetings were held by the Town. This fact is recorded on the Town's own Corridor Project Time Line on the Town's website.

How did the town get away with this? The Town, MassDOT, and FST--the town's engineer design company--colluded to cover up the 6 years of missing public involvement. When the Federal Highway authorities started their routine review, fraudulent documents about the extensiveness of public involvement were sent to them.

The pattern of deception never let up. It extended into the 25% Design MassDOT public hearing of April, 2011. That hearing was a charade. At that hoax, Arlington residents received assurances that "MassDOT encourages input from local communities and values your opinions... we will undertake no project without addressing the concerns of the community".

None of that was true! According to MassDOT's Chief Counsel, MassDOT never considered, read or studied the comments it received expressing concerns. When asked in what ways the comments had been considered by MassDOT, their Attorney stated the public's comments were simply given to the Town of Arlington and FST.

And it wasn't just that MassDOT ignored a few comments. We learned through a Public Records Request that MassDOT had received 3,442 comments in total and, of those, 94% opposed the removal of any travel lanes. Among the comments submitted against the Town's plan was a petition signed by 3,027 Arlington residents, and a letter signed by 81 business leaders which represent 78% of the businesses lining the Mass. Avenue Corridor mile.

The Town and MassDOT never told the FHWA they had received thousands of comments against the removal of travel lanes. This is one of the most damning pieces of evidence documenting how the Town and MassDOT attempted to deceive the FHWA.

In fact, in December 2012, MassDOT's Chief Engineer, Thomas Broderick, sent a document to Pamela Stephenson, the top ranking FHWA official in its Massachusetts Division, about that April 2011 Hearing. That document indicated only 187 comment letters had been received by MassDOT, and that 107 favored the project and 80 opposed the project. He never mentioned the petition with 3,027 signatures, nor the letter signed by 78% of the businesses. Mr. Broderick, therefore, covered up the inconvenient truths about the public comments MassDOT had actually received.

Mr. Broderick's fraudulent submission of data to deceive the FHWA is part of a far more extensive pattern of fraudulence the EACCC has documented for the record by the Town, MassDOT, and its engineers, FST, regarding the Corridor Project.

I want someone from MassDOT to explain why it deceived the FHWA about the number of public comments it received against the Town's plan to remove a traffic lane. How come you said it was 80 instead of over 3,200? The many thousands I represent deserve an answer. How come? I'm waiting.

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MassDOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

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MassDOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

#### ARLINGTON, MA

### RECONSTRUCTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, FROM POND LANE TO CAMBRIDGE CITY LINE Project File No. 604687

This sheet is provided for your comments. Your input is solicited and appreciated. Please return your sheet, with comments, to a staff member at the meeting, or mail to:

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer MassDOT – Highway Division 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116-3973 Attn: Project Management

The final date for receipt of written statements and exhibits for inclusion into the official hearing transcript will be ten (10) days after the Public Hearing. Please type or print legibly.
/ I am against the Town of Arlington's Corridor Project design.
I am not in favor of putting two 5-foot wide bike lanes on this major roadway.
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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Chief Engineer Broderick:

I am writing to you in support of the following proposed changes to Massachusetts Avenue in Arlington: wider sidewalks, new crosswalks, bike lanes, better lighting. I am not able to attend the public hearing on Tuesday, February 26.

As an East Arlington citizen, I travel on Mass. Ave in my vehicle, on bike, as well as by foot. The current configuration of Mass. Ave is unstructured and equally confusing. There are no clear guidelines to help direct those who are traveling on Mass. Ave particularly by car and bike. Also, I have an eight month old daughter and I often walk with her in the stroller to the local stores and shops. It is difficult to safely cross Mass. Ave.

When I ride my bike on Mass. Ave it is often to run errands, visit friends, or go to the gym. Although I have had experience riding my bike on this stretch of Mass. Ave, I often feel unsafe because there is no designated bike lane. In many instances, vehicles are attempting to pass each other at too high of speeds for such a road or because of the unmarked lanes, motorists are veering toward the spaces where cyclists ride. Cyclists have a right to travel on the street and we have a right to do so safely. Including bike lanes would help insure that vehicles and cyclists are clear about where they should travel.

Many cyclists travel through Arlington by bike- this is great situation! I believe we have a terrific opportunity to make Arlington more welcoming and SAFE for all commuters. It has been disheartening and frustrating to hear complaints about the proposed changes from some Arlington citizens. There is no perfect road design, but if we are willing to accept compromises and the needs of our town's population, we can help bring safer and more livable streets to our community.

Sincerely,

Michelle Gibson

East Arlington Resident PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E.
Chief Engineer, MassDOT
10 Park Plaza
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Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I am writing to let you know that I am in support of the Mass Ave Corridor redesign plan for East Arlington, MA. I use this vital corridor as a pedestrian, a cyclist and when I drive my car. I am looking forward to the new bike lanes, the better pedestrian crosswalks and the improved traffic flow that the proposed changes will bring to the area.

As a father who walks two young boys to elementary school across Mass Ave every school day, I am particularly excited by the proposed crosswalk improvements. Any opportunity to include side bump out, center island refuges and other means to improve the safety of these crossings should be undertaken.

As a cyclist who frequently travels to and from local businesses along this corridor, I am delighted to see that provisions are being made to improve my access. Too many people view cyclists as only recreational users and forget that many of us are out riding to go places like the bank and the movies and the shops that are not accessible from the nearby dedicated path.

As a vehicle driver, I am delighted that a sensible traffic configuration is finally being imposed on this chaotic section of road. I warn my visiting relatives to treat the current free-for-all as if they are in a snowy parking lot on the last shopping day before Christmas. There are cars going every which way in anything from one to three lanes wide in both directions at all times. It is really too much for even a good driver to process. Having a single lane toward Arlington Center and two headed for Cambridge should be more than enough to organize the flow. A recent snowstorm imposed a single lane of travel each way and there were no problems with the flow.

Sincerely,

Matthew Dorson, P.E.

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MassDOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT Thomas F. Broderick, P.E Chief Engineer, Mass DOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116 Attn: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I am writing to let you know that I am in support of the Mass Ave Corridor redesign plan for Arlington, MA. The plan will both beautify and make safer a highly used community hub. I am looking forward to the new bike lanes, the better pedestrian crosswalks and the improved traffic flow that this improvement will bring to the area.

I have lived in this neighborhood for over 10 years and have been anticipating this for the past few years. I also run a business in the area and am very much looking forward to the improvements as a proprietor as well. Please don't let this project stall in perpetuity!

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Susan Dorson 31 Sawin Street Arlington, MA 02474 781-641-3792

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February 20, 2013

Mr. Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer Massachusetts Department of Transportation 10 Park Plaza Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687 Massachusetts Avenue in East Arlington

Dear Mr. Broderick:

My name is Douglass Taft Davidoff. This letter is my expression of full support for the Town of Arlington's plan to rehabilitate and improve Massachusetts Avenue in the East Arlington neighborhood from Pond Street to the town line at Alewife Brook. I am an Arlington resident, though you might note that I receive my mail at a post office box in Cambridge. I live (and vote) in Arlington at 45 Fairmont Street, #2.

I write because an out-of-state job assignment may prevent me from attending the February 26th hearing.

I am disappointed with the dynamics of the public participation process that resulted in establishment of the February 26th hearing. I believe the February 26th hearing represents acquiescence by public servants to bludgeoning from opponents of the project, chiefly the Concerned Citizens Committee. The group contends it has been shut out of the process and has not had an opportunity to be heard. My experience after living in Arlington for four years is that the leaders of the CCC are visible and heard at every public meeting I have attended. These leaders seem to have access to all the materials to which I as another citizen have access. Far from being victims of efforts to shut them out, they are in fact now the impelling drivers of the process toward a public hearing and toward an unnecessary town referendum. Their successful technique is repetitive bullying attacks. They deserve not sympathy for being shut out, but scorn for throwing impediments into the process.

"Chutzpah," classically defined, "is the person who murders his or her parents and pleads to the court for mercy on the grounds of being an orphan." To this definition, we in Massachusetts can now add a corollary: "Chutzpah is the act, after thoroughly participating in a process and losing at critical steps, of pleading that the process should be continued because there were not enough opportunities to win. Those people who have hewn to the governance and planning process in Arlington are the victims, not the compatriots of the CCC. We are the victims of people with an abundance of chutzpah, an abundance of money -- and a losing hand of arguments.

I support the plans by the Town of Arlington to rehabilitate and improve Massachusetts Avenue in East Arlington between Pond Street and Alewife Brook for these reasons:

- 1. Pedestrian Safety While Crossing the Street. I wish I could be a bicyclist. But of late, I cannot. I have been hobbled by many injuries to my feet, many surgeries followed by long periods of recuperation, and a requirement to use all sorts of medical equipment: surgical shoes, canes, crutches, braces, etc. I do not cross Massachusetts Avenue easily in its current configuration. I desire the pedestrian crossing improvements set forth in the Town's plan. I wish to cross without risk of physical harm.
- 2. Pedestrian Safety, on the Sidewalk. I support reconfiguration of sidewalks to make pedestrian safety and ease of travel through the corridor a priority.

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- 3. Vehicular Safety. I believe the Town's plan to allocate lanes to eastbound and westbound traffic is creative, thoughtful, and useful. I realize it may entail occasional loss of service. I also believe it will encourage better and safer motoring experiences.
- 4. Bicycle Safety. It is a fact of life that bicycles will use Massachusetts Avenue the "Main Street" or "High Street" of Arlington in large measure for the same reason that motorists do. It is the central thoroughfare of our town. I do not like driving in shared lanes with a high quantity of bicyclists. It scares me. The margin for error is small. In every way, bicyclists lose when using shared lanes. I welcome dedicated bicycle lanes.
- 5. Sharing the Road Wisely. The suggestion by opponents of the Town's plan that bicyclists should be shunted to the Minuteman Trail because it is designed for bicyclists (though shared with pedestrians) is as valid as my suggestion, made in jest to the Board of Selectmen two months ago, that motorists should be shunted to Route 2 (Concord Turnpike) because it is designed for motor vehicles. The fact is that Mass Ave's alignment is desirable to all modes of travelers. It runs through the center of town. Each mode of travel needs to be accommodated well and safely. Shared bicycle and motoring lanes simply put bicyclists at greater risk than motorists, and build resentment among motorists for the supposed imposition of bicyclists. If the bicyclists had a safe and separate travel lane, there would be no fear among motorists and a lot less resentment, too.

I am sure that flaws in the Town's plan can be found. We are all flawed, and no one and no document is free from error. I hope that in the main, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the United States Transportation Department will see fit to endorse the Town's plans and allow it to move forward. Errors should be corrected, not used to discard years of work and compromise.

The Town's process has been open and thorough, despite the bludgeoning attacks of opponents. The Town's plan is reasonable and thorough. The plan improves transportation for all and encourages more activity in a neighborhood ready to burst forth with economic vibrancy. I hope this hearing will be followed by an expression of support for the Town from the state and federal highway authorities, along with permission to proceed.

Sincerely yours,

Douglass T. Davidoff

P.S. Please don't give into the argument that a referendum is coming up. This is just more chutzpah. Manipulating public opinion to create a referendum and then pleading for restraint based on the sudden presence of the referendum is perilously close to that classic definition of chutzpah I related above. The time to proceed is here.

CC:

Pamela Stevenson, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration Tomasz Janikula, Project Manager, Federal Highway Administration Linda Weiner, Town of Arlington Philip Goff and Chad Gibson, East Arlington Livable Streets Coalition Members of the Arlington Board of Selectmen

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MASSDOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT February 25, 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687.

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I would like to submit the following comments and letter of support for the February 26, 2013 Mass Ave. Corridor Improvement Project Public Hearing:

Anyone who lives in East Arlington knows how dangerous the current layout of Mass Ave is right now for patrons of the businesses, pedestrians, drivers, cyclists and persons with disabilities. People should be able to travel to and through this part of town in a relatively safe and orderly manner. When I look at the MassAve corridor plans and all the options that have been presented, I think to myself, do I want a transportation system that is integrated into the town—or a highway blowing through town from point a to point b? To my wife and I, the answer is easy: structured lanes to accommodate the high volumes of traffic during the relatively brief peak hours, dedicated turning lanes, parking, accommodations for buses, cars and bikes, safe crossings, wider sidewalks, and more pedestrian and ADA amenities. The most current plan is a compromise that addresses all stakeholders issues.

There have been some concerns raised regarding the current plan and the traffic studies that suggest four lanes may be more appropriate at some point in the future. Traffic studies do not measure quality of life – the human element is almost completely lost. We are not in the 50's anymore designing communities solely for cars. As a result, context sensitive design standards have been integrated into local, state and federal highway design requirements. This project, as proposed, does exactly that – accommodates and considers all modes of transportation, while respecting the community that this project passes through.

Four lane roads are difficult to cross and would continue to prolong the disconnection in this part of Arlington. The three-lane plan is the only way to provide some of the critical pedestrian safety improvements at the non-signalized crosswalks – improving pedestrian safety and connecting businesses and community amenities on both sides of Mass. Ave. The three-lane plan also encourages more orderly traffic patterns and creates needed space for parking and cyclists.

Lets not lose focus on the bigger picture for these improvements – a safe and walkable, bikable, drivable, transit accessible community that benefits businesses and residents and recognizes the fact that there is more to this design than just getting from point a to point b, it's about recognizing and respecting what's in between these points: we are what is between these points. It's a public safety and quality of life issue for all Arlington visitors, businesses and residents.

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The current plan has already proven its consistency with local and state transportation and town planning objectives. It is also worth noting that the proposed plan is also fully consistent with all of the following US DOT FHA objectives:

- · Promote safety,
- Improve air quality,
- Respect the natural environment through Context Sensitive Solutions,
- Improve social equity by improving access to jobs, health care and other community services,
- Create additional opportunities for the positive effects of walking, biking, public transportation, and ride- and vehicle-sharing,
- Conduct research on transportation's role in improving quality of life.
   Source: FHA Website: <a href="http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/health\_in\_transportation/">http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/health\_in\_transportation/</a>

This project would actually make a great case study for the FHA since the project, as proposed, is really all about improving the quality of life for everyone.

Redistributing and reorganizing the current width of Mass Ave will result in a more efficient and effective flow of traffic and improve the quality of life for drivers, pedestrians, cyclists, the physically disabled, business owners and everyone who come to or passes through East Arlington. Let's make this portion of East Arlington more healthy and vibrant - don't super-size it to four lanes!

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and I look forward to seeing this project move forward for the betterment of all residents, businesses, commuters and visitors to and through East Arlington.

Sincerely,

**Neil Angus** 

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Arlington, MA 02474

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Arlington, MA 02474

cc:

Laura Wiener, Senior Planner, Town of Arlington

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Subject:

Project No. 604687 - Reconstruction of Mass, Ave. Arlington

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Dear Mr. Broderick.

Thank you and your team for your time, patience, and willingness to hear both sides of the issues concerning this project at the February 26th Design Public Hearing. Your professional demeanor was appreciated.

I like the idea of what this project will do for the area, mainly in terms of pedestrian safety. However, I am very troubled by the decision to leave the bus stop in its present location in front of Comella's restaurant the bus stop at this location does not address pedestrian or bicyclist safety issues and may bring about more. confusion at that corner by having bicyclist, right turn lane vehicles and buses all competing for the same corner at the same time. Buses often pull into the stop with the rear left side projecting out in to the travel lane because they do not have adequate approach distance especially when two buses approach at the same time. Right-turning traffic behind a bus will miss the light cycle and drivers may be tempted to pull out into the bike and straight -ahead lanes to go around the bus. This bus stop should be located on the east side of Lake St.

I was told the reason for not locating the bus stop on the east side of Lake St, was "the businesses east of Lake St., particularly Christo's Market, objected". I suspect their objection is based on not wanting to lose the parking space on the street where their truck is allowed to park for most of the day. This seems to be an exception where the tail is being allowed to wag the dog. I urge you to take another look into this and consider a redesign of this intersection. Many of the small shops along Mass. Ave. have become rooted in the community and I fear for their existence in terms of enduring the major disruption that will go on for eighteen or more months.

The following are comments about issues outside and not included in the scope of your project but will be the subject of criticisms of the result of your project when completed:

- Overhead wiring and utility poles are not shown on any of the landscape renderings but will remain and upon completion of the project many will be disappointed in seeing this unsightly distraction and Massdot will be criticized for not factoring this into the design.
- Despite the studies that claim there will be no increase in traffic diverting to the side streets and speeding on these streets is not a problem the residents on these streets, especially those with small children, would disagree and are concerned about how much worse it will be like for them upon completion of the project. Speed humps (3"H x 20'-30' L) on streets such as Bates Rd., Clevland St., Lake St., Marathon St. and Winter St. would go a long way in slowing down the race to Mass. Ave. and Broadway. Massdot will be criticized for not factoring this into the design.

I suggest you issue a PR statement clearly identifying things that are not included in the project and pass it on to the town for consideration so that you are not held accountable for perceived expectations. My experience has been that it is as important to state in a proposal what is not included as to what is to eliminate any perceived expectations.

I will send you photos of street scenes that may help you to understand my comments.

Sincerely,

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Mr. T.F Broderick Chief Engineer Mass. Dept. of Transportation 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02476

Dear Sir:

Re: Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue from Pond Lane to the Cambridge City Line

I am writing to strongly support this project and urge that you start it as soon as possible. Over many years I have followed through the media the seemingly never ending presentations, public meetings, discussions and debates on the project.

In 2012 a small group of local residents brought a warrant article to Town Meeting aimed at (as I understand it) delaying the project by rescinding the eminent domain authority for the easements. This warrant was defeated by a 3 to 1 margin.

The project has been aired before the public for many years and in the town's democratic forum the decision was made to NOT delay the project. Clearly town members have been well informed about the project and it has been voted on favorable by our elected representatives.

The time has come to move forward.

James D. Megson

Sincerely

Cc John McVann

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### February 26, 2013

I am writing in support of the Mass Ave Corridor Project. I am cofounder of the Little Fox Shop that supports the Fox Library. I am also mother to two daughters who cross Mass Ave 5 days a week during the school year to go to the Hardy School.

I would like to see the bike lanes, turning lanes, and pedestrian refuges that have been designed for Mass Ave implemented. I would like to see slower speeds in this stretch of roadway. I would like to support the local businesses with wider sidewalks.

Thank you,

Amy Weitzman 20 Trowbridge St #2 Arlington, MA 02474

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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E.Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick:

I am writing in support of the current design for the Massachusetts Avenue Redesign Project in East Arlington. There are any number of reasons why the current plan is advantageous for our town and the surrounding area. These reasons include aesthetics and safety but I believe that the most important consideration is the mitigation of anthropogenic warming of the atmosphere.

Global warming is possibly the most threatening problem facing humanity. In order to mitigate this problem we must decrease the amount of greenhouse gas we are putting into the atmosphere. One of the major sources of these gasses is automobile exhaust.

Years of bicycle advocacy have taught me that people will not use bicycles instead of getting into their cars, even for short trips, unless they feel safe doing so. If we provide the bicycle lanes, more people will use bicycles for their every day transportation. Failing to improve the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists at this time would constitute a serious lack of leadership on behalf of the Town of Arlington and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts resulting in an uncertain future for us all.

Yours Sincerely,

Stephan Miller Ph.D 6 Woodside Lane

Arlington, MA 02474

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Thomas F. Broderick Chief Engineer, MassDOT<sup>F</sup> 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

In re: Project File No.604687 Arlington, Mass.Ave. Corridor

Dear Mr. Broderick:

As a long term Arlington resident, who has driven, ridden, and walked our streets for over 25 years, I am urging you to approve the current design of the Massachusetts Avenue Corridor project, so that it may move to final design, bidding, and construction without further delay.

As last night's public meeting once again showed, this project has been held hostage far too long by angry old men, waving lists of names, who can no longer see past the windshields of their automobiles.

This project was initiated over 10 years ago by the deaths of two pedestrians, and the so-called alternative plan of the EACCC will do nothing significant to calm the drag strip from the Alewife Parkway starting line to Arlington Center. As a pedestrian, I am tired of risking my life, begging to use the crosswalks. The proposed lane channelization, similar to what has worked well on MassAve near MIT, is long overdue.

The phony arguments about massive traffic delays resulting from an incremental transit delay in one westbound travel lane are just not supported by the engineering, or by on-the-sidewalk observation. The chokepoints for MassAve travel are the traffic lights at either end of the corridor, not the wild-west travel lanes.

Please resist any further CO2 emissions from selfish motorists and their oil industry lobbyists and move this project along.

Thank You for attention,

Frank Cunningham, 56 Margaret Street, Arlington MA 02474

cc: P.Stevens(FHA), T.Janikula (FHA)

ecc: <u>LWiener@town.arlington.ma.us</u> and <u>ealscoalition@gmail.com</u>

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer MassDOT – Highway Division 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116-3973 Attn: Project Management MAR 0 5 2013 MASSOOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Dear Mr. Broderick.

I am writing in support of the current design of the Mass Ave. Corridor project in East Arlington. As a 12-year resident of East Arlington, I welcome this project and strongly support the design in its current configuration, i.e., a three-lane design with a central turning lane, bump-out of sidewalks, and bike lanes in both directions. Any alternative formed around retention of the current four lanes in this neighborhood would simply not address the serious challenges posed to the public safety of pedestrians (especially the elderly, disabled, and those with small children) and bike riders along this vital roadway, nor would such a design be consistent with best practices and basic common sense. In my view, any alternative formed around retention of 4 driving lanes would continue to elevate the rights of motorists above the needs of others. In what should fundamentally be a walkable neighborhood, the current design of Mass Ave. thwarts any

Again, let me reiterate my full and unqualified support for the Mass Ave. Corridor project as it is currently envisioned by FHWA, MassDOT, and the Town of Arlington. I also urge no further delay in the inception of the project after this round of public review. I appreciate the effort and care which has gone into soliciting an appropriate level of input from the public on this project, and I look forward to a enjoying a safer and even more inviting and vibrant neighborhood in the future.

Yours sincerely,

Michelle Manion

50 Hilton St.

Arlington MA 02474

Mr. Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer MassDOT Highway Division 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116-3973 Attn: Project Management MAR 0 5 2013

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**Re:** Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue from Pond Lane to Cambridge city line Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed reconstruction of Mass Ave. in Arlington under the above project file number.

After attending the public meeting on February 26<sup>th</sup>, it is obvious that this plan is being promoted by a vocal minority with an agenda: to discourage and hopefully eliminate vehicular traffic along Arlington's main thoroughfare.

I find the proposed plan lacking in its accommodation of vehicle as well as pedestrian modes of travel. The plan to include exclusive bicycle travel lanes in both east and westbound directions, while eliminating a westbound vehicle travel lane favors a minority of users over the majority, and also places more pedestrians at risk by encouraging bicycle travel among and near vehicle travel lanes.

In 1992-1993 The Town of Arlington constructed the Minuteman Bikeway throughout the town as a means to accommodate and encourage bicycle and pedestrian travel safely away from

vehicular roadways. Despite the construction and ongoing maintenance of this path (including snowplowing in winter!), bicyclists demand additional accommodation.

The opponents of this plan are mostly residents who reside on side streets along the proposed area of reconstruction. Their concerns are real- prior efforts in Arlington to constrict traffic flow on major arterial roadways (Pleasant St., Park Avenue Extension, and Lake St.) have resulted in increased traffic flow on residential streets, and subsequent requests to change traffic patterns to one-way or to eliminate turns at high-traffic hours.

As a compromise, I urge you to consider restoring 4 lanes of vehicle traffic on Mass. Ave. with shared bicycle lanes to avoid these problems.

Sincerely,

Paul W. Kent

64 Hillside Ave.

Arlington, MA 02476

**Current Member Transportation Advisory Committee** 

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E.
Chief Engineer, MassDOT
10 Park Plaza
Boston, MA 02116
Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Wednesday, February 20, 2013

Dear Mr. Broderick:

Massachusetts Avenue in Arlington needs a traffic engineering 'fix' which will improve the function of that road for all modes of travel, pedestrians and bicycles included.

As an Arlington resident, I lived on Amsden Street and as well off Lake Street. My first-hand experience is that automobile traffic from Rte 2 via Rte 16 and Lake Street travels too fast and also that the mind-set of the drivers has not been tempered or adjusted from highway speeds and an all-automobile mentality such that they give due respect to "Main Street".

Such does not occur with as much fervor further outbound in Arlington, off Park Street/Extension, where drivers accessing or heading to Rte 2 have several stoplights in which to slow the heck down and normalize their civility behind the wheel. As well, such does not occur further inbound in Cambridge, off the turnpike in Central Square. Busy, yes. Crazy, no.

I write as one who lived in the neighborhood north and west of the Mobil Station at Rte 16. I speak with direct experience.

Note that the physical elbowroom on MA Ave contributes to the multi-modal challenge, for MA Ave goes from 2 lanes to 3 and back, to and from uncertain widths or narrows. This continues as one travels towards Arlington Center, and happens again as one proceed past the high school, through Arlington Heights, and into Lexington. Along with a driver's conscious choices, the aforementioned factors of speed and attitude, these width changes create a no-man's land for both motor vehicles, bicycles, and foot traffic.

Most poignant, I was crossing MA Ave, east to west on foot. One car going outbound and one going inbound stopped at a crosswalk for me. Another, having just turned right from Lake Street, headed inbound towards Boston, was driven inboard of that stopped car. That offending SUV then squeezed inside by straddling the empty parking spaces and did not park in by the curb but rather, accelerated.

Wearing leather-soled shoes, I slipped on the painted stripes of the crossing and was not able to stop. I wrenched my knees left and pulled them up to avoid the wheel-wells and tires as I crunched my abdomen in and pushed off the SUV with both hands. I was face-to-face with the driver, whose car I, as a pedestrian, "hit". Still talking on her cell phone, she drove away. I was on my way to my doc's office and seemed fine, but two days later had severe whiplash through my entire mid-section. The spasms made me almost unable to breathe. This cost me two days of work, four trips to a chiropractor, and due to their modicum of intelligent caution, a second opinion by a regular western-trained medical doctor. Fortunately within ten days I was fine. But I am also fit and able to seek the right help. On their way to their physician's office, and the property of the property

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February 27, 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E.
Chief Engineer, MassDOT
10 Park Plaza
Boston, MA 02116
Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I wanted to write to you and express my support for the current 3 lane plan.

I was pleased that there was a positive evening at Arlington Town Hall yesterday and project supporters showed up in overwhelming numbers. State Senator Donnelly gave an impassioned speech and there were many more supportive comments than critique.

As a parent of two young school children livable and walkable and safe streets are a priority of mine and my family. As an elected official that sits on the Town's School Committee, I am invested in making sure all of our children have a safe walk to school. The 3 lane plan helps to accomplish this and makes this section of town more beautiful in the process.

Thank you for your work and support. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Judson L. Pierce

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DEAR THOMAS BRODERICK
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I HAVE BEEN AN ARLINGTON RESIDENT SINCE 1997. T
LIVED IN EAST ARLINGTON FOR THE FIRST TWELVE YEARS AND HAVE
LIVED HERE IN THE JASAN HEIGHTS AREA FOR PAST FOUR YEARS.
I FULLY SUPPORT THE MASS AVE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, AS A
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PLEASE APPROVE THE CURRENT PLAN AND DO EVERYTHING IN YOUR POWER
TO MOVE IT FORWARD WITHOUT DELAY.
Name MARK HALLIDAY Title -
Organization ————————————————————————————————————
Address 54 BRANTWOOD RD
ARLINGTON MA 02476

### MassDOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Nora J. Mann 45 Wollaston Avenue Arlington, MA 02476

February 28, 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687.

I want to express my support for the proposed project and my gratitude to those whose hard work and dedication to the process has brought this project to - almost - fruition. I know that there has been a great deal of comment and, at times, controversy. I believe, without qualification, that Arlington must embark on this project, it is a continuation of the fine and forward thinking work that we have done in our community to support the business districts, to create vibrant shopping and walking communities, and to continue to recognize realities of commuting in to Boston.

I have attended several of the hearings. I missed the most recent one, but wanted to be sure to share my thoughts.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Nora Mann

Wollaston Avenue

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RECONSTRUCTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, FROM POND LANE TO CAMBRIDGE CITY LINE Project File No. 604687

This sheet is provided for your comments. Your input is solicited and appreciated. Please return After attending Tuesday nite's hearing I have the following comments.

First and foremost, I find it particularly offensive that all the elected officials, DOT, and Arlington Selectman had the floor for as long as they cared to speak, but the residents, (who are affected the most by this proposed plan) only had three minutes. Since all of the elected officials, the Selectman and DOT are in favor of this plan, the opposition was clearly not heard in its entirety. Mr. Berger, in particular, who had many issues with the way the town and DOT has handled this entire project, could not be heard through the jeering coming from the bikers and the calls for him to end. Clearly DOT has to rethink your hearing process.

Next and most alignment, the infligure Scientific have realized and pushed this piec on the residents, have find and heat secret mostings in the past, and occupietely general by residents of first Arington who clearly do not want to have the fourth lane taken away. As a 42 year resident I know what a disaster the traffic is now on Lake Street, (and by the way the explanation of A,B,C traffic patterns was a joke). Anyone who lives here knows that the impending plan will be a nightmare, clearly a safety hazard with bikers abreast and smaller lanes to travel. How can DOT justify and claim that less space is going to be safer and driving will not be backed up?????

We would like to see DOT come up with a plan that will keep the four lanes and still go forth with the rest of the plan but with smaller bike lanes. (We have a bike path in Arlington) If you need to do surveys, come out to Lake Street between 4 and 7 PM and 6 to 9 AM in the morning, and drive down Mass Avenue with a biker on your right weaving in and out. That is the way to judge what's going on.

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Elisabeth Carr-Jones 1 Lehigh Street Arlington, MA 02476

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer MassDOT – Highway Division 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116-3973 Attn: Project Management

RE: Massachusetts Avenue Corridor Project (Arlington, MA)

Date: 28 February 2013

Dear Mr. Broderick,

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I spoke at Tuesday night's hearing, but wanted to submit some subsequent thoughts. I am a member of Arlington's Transportation Advisory Committee and Walking In Arlington (our local pedestrian advocacy group), and a Safe Routes to Schools liaison. My participation in the Mass Ave Corridor project dates back to the initial public meetings held in 2002 in collaboration with the East Arlington Good Neighbor Committee (the only organized East Arlington resident group at the time).

I stressed in my statement last night that pedestrian safety was the primary catalyst for this project. In the 2002Town-wide (Arlington Vision 2020) survey focused on transportation priorities, pedestrian safety ranked number 1. This survey is the most recent available, with nearly 1,600 responses.

The Mass Ave Corridor project, as developed, will increase pedicinary safety by sedicing traffic specialization safety by sedicing traffic specialization of traffic safes to cross including the manifer of traffic safes to cross including multiple threat crossion) and providing other elements (such as bump must and techniques islands) to increase pedestrian visitifity and reduce crossovals length.

There's been complete agreement among all the traffic professionals on 1 thing: 4 traffic lanes are unnecessary in this portion of Mass Ave. Including an unnecessary 4th lane for vehicles, as the project opponents propose, would clearly be at the expense of both pedestrians and cyclists. This would compromise the balance of priorities for Arlington's "main street" not the least of which are safety and mobility for all modes of transportation.

Tuesday night's public meeting is concrete evidence of the fact that the opposition to this project has been reduced to a lonely few. The reason: sound decisions have been made as a result of considerable public participation. I urge you to stand by the project and to reject any attempt to backtrack and consider other options. Please, let's build this!

Sincerely,

Elisabeth Carr-Jones

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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Re: Massachusetts Avenue Corridor Project

Dear Mr. Broderick

I am writing as a business owner in Arlington in strong support of the design of the Mass Ave Corridor Project.

The reasoning for the design is clear and correct and will result in improvements in both safety and quality for the town and its businesses.

As an architect and engineer I favor the project as a dual licensed professional, resident for over 40 years and urge the full approval of this project which has undergone an extensive review process and is thoroughly vetted and desired by the community.

Very truly yours

William Rowe

Manager Waterpower LLC

Registered Architect

Licensed Professional Engineer

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Thomas Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer
MassDOT
10 Park Plaza
Boston, MA 02116
Attn: Project Management Section, file # 604687

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Mr. Broderick:

I attended the February 26th public hearing on the Mass. Ave. Project, but also want to ensure that I am able to submit my comments, as did not have the opportunity to voice my comments at the hearing.

Once again, I would like to show my full support of the project, and specifically the three-lane plan. It would best serve all users of the area, not just drivers. As a driver, cyclist, runner, and pedestrian living in East Arlington, I use the area in all of these ways. Safety and multi-use should be our top priority.

I strongly object to the efforts that are currently underway that are undermining and stalling this community-supported project as well as wasting valuable time and money.

Thank you,

Marsha M. Pelletier

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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

**Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687** 

On Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> I attended the public hearing to review current plans and solicit input on the Massachusetts Avenue Corridor Project. I was impressed with the information presented and the time allotted to hear input from elected officials and the general public.

I am writing to voice my strong support for the project. It is my sincere wish that the project be started as soon as possible. It will do much to enhance public safety and beautify East Arlington.

Sincerely.

June Elizabeth Rowe 1 Kensington Road Arlington, MA 02476

### Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

From: Sent:

DOT Feedback Highway

Thursday, March 07, 2013 10:27 AM

To: Subject: Sloan, Kimberley (DOT) FW: Project File No. 604687

From: Barbara Shepard [mailto:barbara.i.shepard@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, March 04, 2013 11:03 PM

**To:** DOT Feedback Highway **Subject:** Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Deapaola and Mr. Broderick,

Thank you for allowing for the second public hearing in Arlington, MA concerning the reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue.

As a resident of East Arlington, I support the current project as it is proposed. Although I would have preferred the original project of one lane in each direction, I understand that compromise is necessary. I would be sorely disappointed if a 4 lane road was seriously considered.

I have 4 points that I would appreciate being considered in the current project.

- 1) I think the eastbound 77 (79, and 350) bus stop in front of the Capital Theater should be moved to the other side (east side) of Lake Street. It doesn't make sense to take up space in the right turn lane leading to route 2 and creating a more perilous situation for cyclists, motorists, and bus passengers. I understand this would probably mean removing 2 parking spots, but I think it would make the intersection a much safer place to navigate.
- 2) I know there is concern about the traffic light at Bates Street, but I believe a traffic light is needed at that intersection. However, I do think other traffic calming measures need to be put in place on Bates Street to prevent it from becoming a speed zone. My suggestion would be to add a 4 way stop at Bates and Raleigh (which is currently a 2 way stop) and create a raised intersection to discourage speeding.
- 3) Please create an after project fund. There will be errors that need to be fixed with the project. There always are. It would be great for Arlington to have a fund to draw from for a decade for any unexpected maintenance or changes that need to be done on the roadway.
- 4) I'm not sure if this is planned for the project, but please consider carefully where to place raised sidewalks. Somerville learned to great expense that having four raised sidewalks and not having a drain in the middle created minilakes on Somerville Ave. when it rained. They had to remove may of the raised crosswalks they had worked so hard to build. Raised sidewalks are a great traffic calming measure, as long as it doesn't make the road more hazardous to drive on during the rain.

Thank you for reading my statement and I look forward to seeing the project start soon.

Sincerely, Barbara Shepard

### Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

From: Sent:

DOT Feedback Highway

To:

Thursday, March 07, 2013 10:38 AM Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

FW: Mass Ave Corridor plan for East Arlington

#### FYI

>----Original Message---->From: Gail McCormick [mailto:gaildtm@gmail.com] >Sent: Tuesday, March 05, 2013 9:52 AM >To: DOT Feedback Highway >Subject: Mass Ave Corridor plan for East Arlington >March 4, 2013 >Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. >Chief Engineer, MassDOT >10 Park Plaza >Boston, MA 02116 >Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687 >We the undersigned support the current 3-lane Mass Ave Corridor plan >for East Arlington and want to see it move to 100%. >We are very concerned about a letter sent to you from Gregory Cohen of >the American Highway Users Alliance on September 12, 2012. It was >based solely on information from opponents to the plan. The >information was at best distorted, at worst simply incorrect. >It is unacceptable for a DC based lobbying group to attempt to >influence what we do with a one-mile strip of road in a small >Massachusetts town. You may not be aware that this group has had a >consistently anti-environment position. For instance it fought the >Kyoto Protocol, lobbied against increased vehicle mileage standards >and fought to kill Congressman Markey's 2009 Climate Bill, the >American Clean Energy and Security Act which passed the House but died >If we are to deal with climate disruption we need to encourage use of >mass transit, foster walking and biking, promote shopping local, plant >more trees and take other actions included in the current plan for >Arlington which will decrease reliance on cars and ultimately curtail >polluting automobile traffic while reducing carbon dioxide emissions. >Massachusetts has an excellent environmental record, frequently >setting an example for the entire nation. Many of us in Arlington >would like to enhance that record with our plan for our street. >We will be sending you hard copies of this statement with our >signatures but wanted to get our testimony to you ahead of the. >Thank you. >Gail McCormick >Co-chair, Sustainable Arlington >30 Hamilton Rd >Arlington, MA 02474 >David Landskov >32 Teresa Circle ,>Arlington, MA 02474

>Scott Samenfeld >302 Summer Street >Arlington, MA 02474 >Laura Knotman >15 Longfellow Rd >Arlington, MA 02476 >Charlotte Milan >19 Bellevue Road >Arlington, MA02476 >DeAnne Dupont >32 Oldham Rd >Arlington, MA 02476 >Shelly Dean >7 Cleveland Street >Arlington, MA 02474 >Dave Haas >34 Cleveland Street >Arlington, MA 02474 >Brucie Moulton >164 Scituate Street >Arlington, MA 02474 >Ryan Katofsky >534 Summer Street >Arlington, MA 02476

From:

DOT Feedback Highway

Sent:

Thursday, March 07, 2013 1:59 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

FW: Support for Arlington Mass Ave Corridor Project

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>----Original Message----
>From: Andrew Freeman [mailto:freemandrew@gmail.com]
>Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 7:01 PM
>To: DOT Feedback Highway
>Subject: Support for Arlington Mass Ave Corridor Project
>Hello,
>I am writing as a current Arlington homeowner and resident of many years.
>My wife and I would like to express our strongest support for the
>MassDOT plan and desire to have to start as soon as possible. It's a
>balance and safe proposal that will accommodate all modes and would be
>a strong economic benefit to our town.
>Thank you,
>Andrew Freeman
>Cathleen Hoelscher
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From: Sent:

DOT Feedback Highway

To:

Thursday, March 07, 2013 2:30 PM Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

FW: Arlington Mass. Ave. Corridor Project

>----Original Message---->From: Popkin Louise [mailto:lpopkin@fas.harvard.edu] >Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2013 7:29 AM >To: DOT Feedback Highway >Subject: Arlington Mass. Ave. Corridor Project >To Whom It May Concern,

>I am writing to express my wholehearted support for the 3-lane plan in East >Arlington, as an attractive and reasonable result of years of planning and >consulting both with experts as to the feasibility of the design and with the >town's residents concerning their wishes and priorities. While I did not feel that >another hearing on the subject was needed, I did attend on February 26 and >was impressed both by the skill with which the meeting was conducted and by >the articulate, thoughtful, well-informed comments I heard from the >supporters of the plan. Though I would have preferred a two-lane plan at the >outset, I came away from this hearing more convinced than ever that the >project design represents a reasonable balance among the needs and priorities >of the eventual beneficiaries of the project, who will enjoy the safer, more >attractive business district it will create.

>At the same time, I was not surprised by the rude, entitled behavior of the >leaders of the opposition to the Corridor Project, who conducted themselves as >they have throughout the entire process--attempting to mystify with a lot of >technical language; accusing the opposition of unethical behavior; denigrating >the opinions of anyone who disagrees with them; and shouting the same half->truths and exaggerations over and over (as if truth were a function of volume

>Based on their comments and the documents they have circulated, it would >seem that these few individuals are determined to deceive the uninformed as a >means of gaining what they claim is a sizable following. The biased wording of >their ballot question is simply the latest of their attempts to derail the Corridor >Project through manipulation and misrepresentation: they are hoping to stir up >the voters' anger by suggesting that something is about to be taken from us >arbitrarily. If the question as formulated were to be accompanied by discussion >regarding the tradeoffs involved in the lane reduction (improved >accommodation of pedestrians and bikers, increased safety, federal funding, >etc.), an uninformed voter might come to understand that no arbitrariness is at >issue and cast a meaningful vote. However, as there can be no such discussion >on local ballot questions, no voter who takes this one at face value will be

>I am convinced that the leaders of the East Arlington Concerned Citizens >Coalition do not speak for the majority of informed Arlingtonians, who (like >myself) are as anxious to see the project move forward as they are tired of the >obstructionist behavior of a tiny minority. I therefore urge you to be guided,

>not by a vote that by definition, cannot be an unambiguous expression of the >wishes of the citizenry but rather, by what you witnessed the other night at the >hearing.
> Yours truly,
> Louise B. Popkin
>9 Cliff Street
>Arlington, MA 02476

From:

Lipton, Amitai (DOT)

Sent: To:

Thursday, March 07, 2013 3:10 PM

Subject:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Attachments:

604687 Arlington - Mass Ave

604687 - 75pct review.pdf; 604687 - 75pct review.xls

Hi Kimberley,

I am a resident of Arlington and attending the public hearing last week for the project to reconstruct Mass Ave between the town center and the Cambridge line (file #604687).

I've attached a handful of comments that I'm making as a local resident. I used the department standard forms for clarity, but these are not official MassDOT review comments.

Amitai Lipton District 6 Traffic Engineering MassDOT Highway Division 185 Kneeland St Boston MA 02111 amitai.lipton@state.ma.us 857.368.6313

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## DESIGN REVIEW COMMENT AND RESOLUTION FORM

PROJECT NO.: 604687

DESCRIPTION: Arlington - Mass Ave (east)

DESIGNER: FST (Traffic)

SUBMITTAL: 75-percent design plans (sheets 1, 57-80, were reviewed)

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From: Sent:

H [Hskii@aol.com]

To:

Subject:

Saturday, March 09, 2013 10:08 AM Sloan, Kimberley (DOT) 75% Design Public Hearing, Project Number 604687, Reconstruction of Massachusetts

Avenue, Arlington, MA

Dear Kimberley:

I am writing in support the 75% Design Public Hearing, Project Number 604687, Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue, Arlington, MA. I am an Arlington resident.

Best,

Harry E. Manasewich

From:

Gloria J. Korsman [gkorsman@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Sunday, March 10, 2013 2:37 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Cc:

LWiener@town.arlington.ma.us

Subject:

75% Design Public Hearing, Project Number 604687, Reconstruction of Massachusetts

Avenue, Arlington, MA

Ms. Kimberly Sloan MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

Attention.: Project Management Section, Project File No. 607209

Dear Ms. Sloan,

This written comment is in regard to the plan to reconstruct Massachusetts Avenue in East Arlington. I was unable to attend the second public hearing in Arlington on Tuesday, Feb. 26, at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall Auditorium and regret missing the opportunity to comment in person.

I live in North Cambridge, only a stone's throw from the Arlington line. There are some lovely restaurants, shops, and a movie theater in East Arlington. Although I own an automobile, I prefer to ride a bicycle or walk to neighborhood destinations. Bikes are the perfect alternative to cars for traveling short distances. Bikes are easier to park, better for the environment, reduce road congestion, cheap to buy and maintain, and fun! I like how biking to local destinations effortlessly builds a bit of exercise and fresh air into every day. It feels healthier and less stressful than driving a car.

When I learned about the proposed bike lanes on Massachusetts Avenue, I was thrilled. I am neither a racer nor a thrill-seeker. I am a middle-aged professional simply interested in safe, environmentally sustainable travel from home to local shops, restaurants and movie theaters. It is a shame that riding a bicycle on Massachusetts Avenue in East Arlington requires so much courage! Aggressive and distracted drivers travel at unsafe speeds with little regard for pedestrians and cyclists. A painted bike lane (at least a car door's length from parked cars) is the very least you can do to encourage bicycle travel. If you really want to encourage healthy, active transportation, build a physically separated lane for bicycles - a cycletrack. Compared to a cycletrack (the gold standard), a painted bike lane really isn't much to ask. You certainly have ample space on Massachusetts Avenue.

If I felt safe riding a bike on Massachusetts Avenue in E. Arlington, I would certainly choose Arlington shopping and entertainment destinations more often, instead of almost always spending my cash in more the bike-friendly communities of Cambridge, Somerville and Boston.

A bike lane would invite more commuters to give up cars for short distances and reduce congestion for everyone. The opening of bike paths and protected lanes in Montreal led to an immediate 40% jump in the number of cyclists using those roads. Vancouver's cycletracks prompted a doubling of bike activity. In New York City, weekday bike traffic nearly tripled when the protected bike path was installed around Brooklyn's Prospect Park. And, in each case, the accident rate declined. Why would Massachusetts Avenue in Arlington be different?

Please do not allow a handful of vocal opponents to derail the traffic calming and bicycle lanes for fear of progressive change. Bikes are cheaper to maintain than cars, so I have more money to spend at local shops than drivers of similar means. Business owners and residents should welcome cyclists and the business we bring!

Sincerely, Gloria J Korsman 91 Montgomery Street #2L Cambridge MA 02140 gkorsman@yahoo.com

From:

duncan sanders-fleming [fduncansf@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Sunday, March 10, 2013 5:43 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

75% Design Public Hearing, Project Number 604687, Reconstruction of Massachusetts

Avenue, Arlington, MA

Hi, I'm a homeowner at 77 Pemberton St., Cambridge and I strongly support this new design that includes bike lanes on Mass. Ave. I drive up that way a lot and I'm a biker as well and I feel that there is enough room and little-enough car traffic that this design will work well to accommodate both modes of transport. Thank you,

**Duncan Sanders-Fleming** 

From:

Christopher Mow [c\_mow@hotmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2013 10:37 AM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

75% Design Public Hearing, Project Number 604687, Reconstruction of Massachusetts

Avenue, Arlington, MA

Dear Ms. Sloan,

As a resident of East Arlington, I am writing to voice my support for the proposed changes to Mass Ave in East Arlington. The pedestrian safety improvements, bike lanes, and three-lane design are much needed improvements to Mass Ave. I am a year-round bicycle commuter who utilizes Mass Ave in that area for part of my commute. The lack of bicycle lanes makes my traversal of Mass Ave difficult and dangerous. I can only imagine the panic and fear that less-experienced cyclists must feel when on Mass Ave in East Arlington. I cross Mass Ave on my return trip in the evenings and have personally seen pedestrians almost hit by cars while crossing \*at a crosswalk\* because of the ambiguous car lanes and the fact that the crosswalk is so long. Pedestrian islands, wider sidewalks, and formal car lanes would all help to make crossing Mass Ave safer.

Thank you

Christopher Mow 130 North Union St. Arlington, MA 02474 781-647-5664

From: Sent: Eric Helmuth [eric@erichelmuth.com] Saturday, March 09, 2013 12:39 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Cc:

Laura Wiener

Subject:

75% Design Public Hearing, Project Number 604687, Reconstruction of Massachusetts

Avenue, Arlington, MA

Dear Ms. Sloan,

I am writing as an Arlington homeowner and town meeting member. I strongly support the current 75% Design plan for the Mass. Ave corridor in East Arlington.

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I also strongly support the vision for a mixed-use corridor with bike lanes alongside car lanes. I am satisfied with the extensive traffic studies showing that the 75% plan will not unduly impede traffic flow, and I am more than convinced that the majority of East Arlington residents support this plan.

Thank you,

Eric Helmuth 33 Grandview Rd. Arlington, MA 02476

From:

**DOT Feedback Highway** 

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2013 2:57 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

FW: 75% Design Public Hearing, Project Number 604687, Reconstruction of Massachusetts

Avenue, Arlington, MA

From: Eric Helmuth [mailto:eric@erichelmuth.com]

Sent: Monday, March 11, 2013 10:04 AM

**To:** DOT Feedback Highway

Subject: 75% Design Public Hearing, Project Number 604687, Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue, Arlington, MA

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From:

DOT Feedback Highway

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2013 3:12 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

FW: 75% Design Public Hearing, Project Number 604687, Reconstruction of Massachusetts

Avenue, Arlington, MA

From: Suzanna Schell [mailto:suzanna.schell@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, March 11, 2013 12:30 PM

To: DOT Feedback Highway Cc: Karen Steiner & Scott Smith

Subject: 75% Design Public Hearing, Project Number 604687, Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue, Arlington, MA

### Dear DOT:

I live in North Cambridge (and previously lived on Parker St. in East Arlington) and frequently travel by car and bicycle into East Arlington and Arlington Center to go to the movies, shop, dine, and use the Robbins Library. I wish to register my enthusiastic support of the new plan for Mass Ave that will promote a more pedestrian and bicycle friendly street.

Thank you.

Suzanna

Suzanna Schell 195 Harvey Street, #7 Cambridge, MA 02140

(L) 617.547.3532 (C) 617.460.1929

e-mail: suzanna.schell@gmail.com

From: Sent:

Suzanna Schell Gmail [suzanna.schell@gmail.com]

To:

Sunday, March 10, 2013 9:51 PM Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Cc:

Scott Smith

Subject:

75% Design Public Hearing, Project Number 604687, Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue, Arlington, MA

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Land: 617.547.3532 Cell: 617.460.1929

NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS: suzanna.schell@gmail.com

From:

DOT Feedback Highway

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2013 1:57 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

FW: writing in support of Mass Ave plan

From: Laura Wiener [mailto:LWiener@town.arlington.ma.us]

Sent: Monday, March 11, 2013 9:42 AM

**To:** Suzanna Schell Gmail **Cc:** DOT Feedback Highway

Subject: Re: writing in support of Mass Ave plan

better to send it to

dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us

Laura Wiener

Arlington Planning and Community Development

Town Hall

Arlington, MA 02476

781 316-3091

----Original Message----

From: Suzanna Schell Gmail <suzanna.schell@gmail.com>

To: Kimberly.Sloan@state.ma.us

Cc: LWiener@town.arlington.ma.us, bikeinfo@massbike.org, Scott Smith <smithsteiner@comcast.net>

Date: Sat, 9 Mar 2013 12:45:38 -0500 Subject: writing in support of Mass Ave plan

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NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS: suzanna.schell@gmail.com

From: Sent:

DOT Feedback Highway

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Monday, March 11, 2013 2:17 PM

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From: L. A. Clayton [mailto:ergofix@hotmail.com] Sent: Friday, March 08, 2013 7:26 PM

To: DOT Feedback Highway

Subject: Public Comments Project 604687 Arlington Mass Ave

If you have trouble opening or viewing the attached, please contact me.

Please officially acknowledge receipt of these documents. Project 604687 Mass Ave Arlington MA. Sent by: Lauren Clayton

16 Kenwood Street Somerville MA 02144

617.686.8829

representing self

Thank you.

### massave publicrecord130308.doc

Date: 130308

To: DOT Project Manager Project 604687 Mass Ave Arlington

Re: Questions for the public record.

Fr: Lauren Clayton, 16 Kenwood Somerville MA 02144 617.686.8829 (representing self)

Thank you. Some of these questions were part of oral testimony at the other public meetings.

- 1. Do we have a right to drive at 30 mph, unobstructed, on this DOT and Fed funded roadway?
- 2. Do we have a right to use all six lanes, unobstructed, when curb to curb width exceeds sixty six feet?
- 3. Why are not existing six lanes, sidewalk and Minuteman Trail safe enough?
- 4. Who is the contact person, with authority, who will respond to these questions?

### New:

- 1. Can the city/town prohibit parking completely, on one side of any street, for sweeping, or plowing?
- 2. Does any one resident own or reserve a specific on street space, including handicapped, that is exclusively for their use and exempt from sweeping and plowing restrictions?
- 3. Can the city/town restrict driving, by any vehicle, in lanes where parked cars are prohibited for sweeping or plowing, during the duration of said parking prohibition?
- 4. Is the Town of Arlington legally bound by your answers?
- 5. Can the Town of Arlington exercise final striping options that create unauthorized lanes or tracks in direct contradiction of the state's intent, even if not fully specified?
- 6. Can any traffic management technique, intended to reduce regular traffic speeds below 30 mph, including, but not limited to, raised crossings, mountable curbs, and bike lanes or tracks be categorically eliminated from any proposal, because they are unsafe, cause gridlock, cause dooring, road rage and, for cycle tracks, are an exception to strict DOT/Fed standards?
- 7. Can a NO BUILD, limited sharrows only, commuting parking restricted, proposal be drawn up by the professional engineer for this project that meets all state and federal requirements with a minimum of design exceptions?
- 8. Can lane clutter, including: advertising, bollards, buffers, murals, in lane reflectors, messages, symbols, and periodic lane marking be prohibited (exception: "school"), except where lanes approach an intersection? Can messages intended for bicycles only be placed on standard signs? Can affordable, sustainable, limited, sharrows be placed at the beginning of a signal controlled block, and 12 inches from the right curb?
- 9. Can all traffic sensor active areas for vehicles and pedestrians be identified by green paint and enclosed by a 4" yellow stripe? Can green paint be restricted to this exclusive use, and not used where there is no active sensor? Can non sensored bike boxes be eliminated?
- 10. Can marked traffic sensors be placed 0, 132 and 440 feet from intersections?
- 11. Can traffic caused by imaginary vehicles and pedestrians be controlled and eliminated?
- 12. Of the pedestrians counted, how many were going to parked cars or nearest MBTA stop?
- 13. Of the pedestrians counted, how many were walking from their residence to the project line at either end?
- 14. Of the pedestrians counted, how many were walking the entire length of project, with or without an intermediate stop?
- 15. What are the different stakeholder modes and their number of real people, addressed by this project?
- 16. Who represents the interests of the stakeholders? What are their names and contact info?
- 17. What is the total transit time, at peak and minimum for all modes and in which lanes?
- 18. How is transit time expected to change after this project?
- 19. Will all traffic signals revert to flashing yellow 11 pm -7 am?
- 20. How many cars, bikes and pedestrians are there during each of two peak periods, and total.

Respectfully submitted, Lauren Clayton, 16 Kenwood Street Somerville MA 02144, 617.686.8829 ergofix@hotmail.com

### Arlington6LanesMassAve with Sharrows

Sharing the Mass Ave Community, Child Safety, Bicycle Commuting, Residential and Business Parking Stakeholders, and all Road Users.

From: Lauren Clayton 617.686.8829 <a href="mailto:ergofix@hotmail.com">ergofix@hotmail.com</a> BSEP, Tufts '78, ITE bike and ped. Re: Mass Ave. "Mode Sharing NOBUILD SHARROW Alternative Plan – It can really be this simple!"

Date: 08 March, 2013













**BIKE BELLS SAVE LIVES** 

Here's a mode sharing safety oriented plan that fairly accommodates all stakeholders.

- Six legally perfect 11' wide lanes, end to end. Remove all parking lines. Add a turning lane from Lake Street.
- 2. Sharrows painted 12" from curb, only at the beginning of major block, and green traffic sensors. ("ESP Sharrows")
- 3. 10' wide striped bi-directional bike-ped sidewalks, (for juvenile, older or legal contra flow bikes).
- 4. Use NO so called unsafe traffic management technique that is at risk of increasing GRIDLOCK, or ROAD RAGE. No nose outs, bulb outs, traffic islands, mountable curbs, raised crossings, reduced radius corners, <u>unsensored</u> green paint, bike boxes or cycle tracks. Use stencils and paint on asphalt for decorative crossings. No bricks, sorry.
- 5. Signalized DEMAND only (push and hold) pedestrian crossings MID BLOCK (many), w laser radar signs.
- 6. "No Parking Street Sweeping/Plowing 7-9AM, inbound (or 5-7PM, outbound) signs, M-F.
- 7. 100% Retained street parking, "Loading Zone 15 min Passenger" in front of laundry. Then, add ten mini lots, off street, for bike corrals and resident only decals, on street and overnight parking rules apply.
- 8. Use "Evergreen Signals", "Green Bike Zones", "Green Sensor Bike Boxes" (ask me).
- 9. Bikes can use full right lane during peak commute. Sharrows fully satisfy bike safe accommodation criteria
- 10. "Bikes Yield to Peds" signs on bi-directional sidewalks. Trees: yes. Planters and benches: no.
- 11. Upgrade bike corrals, if any, to four Somerville style"Powderhouse Rings", locate bike rental off road.

Advantages include: Easy, full curb to curb snow plowing and snow removal, all traffic has equality mode sharing; 200% community parking retention; no dooring possible during commute; no lost parking revenue to city, all signals are actuated only: no running red lights, reduced transit time for all users, and increased pedestrian safety. I would like to thank members of the Somerville Bike Committee and Alex Epstein, chair, and OSPCD Hayes Morrison, for their comments. Elements of this plan were derived from the Somerville Beacon Street Mode Sharing Coalition Alternative Plan.

Respectfully submitted, Lauren Clayton, 16 Kenwood St., Somerville MA 02144. 617.686.8829.Comments welcome.

"So, you want to spend \$6 million, reduce 6 lanes to three, and increase transit time, except for *imaginary* users? **NO!**" -Arlington town meeting attendee

From:

sue [ssheffler@aol.com]

Sent:

Saturday, March 09, 2013 1:38 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

Fwd: 75% Design Public Hearing, Project Number 604687, Reconstruction of Massachusetts

Avenue, Arlington, MA

Dear Ms. Sloan;

My family has been resident in Arlington since 1985; we sent 3 children to the public schools, I served on the School Committee for 6 years, and we have been very involved in a multitude of civil, neighborhood, town-wide volunteer and other activities.

We strongly support this project as a major improvement in quality of life for all Arlington residents. This community is an amalgam of neighborhoods, not a thoroughfare; that is a value we can all support.

The project is terrific for many reasons, including safety, encouraging pedestrian traffic to local business, environmental improvement, fitness of residents, and so on. But this support of sustainable human neighborhoods is top priority for us.

Best regards,

Sue Sheffler 26 Kensington Park Arlington, MA 02476 <u>ssheffler@aol.com</u> 617 959 4119 September 18, 1787 Benjamin Franklin 1706 – 1790

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Wednesday, March 6, 2013

Marie Rose, Project Manager and Thomas F. Broderick, P. E., Chief Engineer Mass DOT – Highway Division 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116 – 3973

MESSOOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Re: Public Hearing,
Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue
From Pond Lane to Cambridge City Line
Project File No. 604687

As expected of those who commented at the Hearing in Town Hall, Tuesday, February 26, 2013:

This was the first hearing I've attended. I have lived in Arlington, since July 1967. In September 1979, I moved to Pleasant Street; at the time it was **2 lanes**, but has since been <u>reduced</u> to one lane. This change has not been an improvement. During AM and PM commuter hours, traffic is stop & go at best; car owners use a lot of gas which is good only for the State, since the **GAS TAX** is **23 & 1 / 2 cents per gallon**. (Gov. Patrick recently said he was considering increasing GAS TAX another 15 cents per gall.) Like **project 604687**, Pleasant Street is also @ one mile (to Rt. 2 and Belmont town line).

I did not attempt to speak at the Hearing because there were not provisions for people with physical problems, like mine, who cannot stand in place, in line.

I want Mass Avenue to remain TWO car \*\* lanes in each direction: cars meaning,

- \*\* family car,
- \*\* ambulances,
- \*\* hook & ladder fire trucks,
- \*\* trucks making deliveries to shop keepers in that stretch and as well as elsewhere in Arlington,
- \*\* police cars,
- \*\* tow trucks,
- \*\* Senior Citizen vans,
- \*\* Trash pick-up trucks
- \*\* taxis
- \*\* tour buses, moving vans, and MBTA BUSES.

Auto owners pay **GAS TAX** to the State for the maintenance of such town-to-town roadways as Mass Ave. I've asked several Reference librarians to search the internet for the number of gallons of gas sold in Massachusetts per years; they were unable to obtain this information, but it's reasonable to expect millions of dollars are raised each year by Gas TAX.

Bikers pay ZERO gas tax. Yet they want marked lanes on public roadways.

Mass Avenue was created two lanes in each direction for the good of autos and NOT so that in the 21 st century one lane could be eliminated then be made into a marked bike lane.

**Bikers** already have the **Bike PATH: that is where they should ride**. Next door **Lexington** isn't being bullied by big bike companies, or their customers. When I could still

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ride my bicycle, I rode on the **Bike PATH**; it was not an imposition. Some time after the **Bike PATH** was opened, bikers began whining that it wasn't plowed in winter, so Arlington plowed it! and, I think, continues to do so – at taxpayer expense.

The sidewalks are already wide enough for the number of people who actually walk.

Wider sidewalks may be useful to people waiting in line on weekends to get into the Tawa Dinor - just down from Capital Theater. The owner of Capital space at the Heaters in factor for project that have taken proposed to assert the owner of the capital state of the capital state. The capital state of th

Crossing is difficult at most Walk Lights in Arlington (not just on Mass Ave in East Arl ) because a not enough time is allowed. A multi-million dollar project is not needed to correct this; the town can have Walk Time increased, plus have then angled correctly.

Until very recently - perhaps just after New Year's Day 2013 - there were **portable Walk Signs** on **pedestal stands** placed in the middle of much used roads / streets (on Mass Ave, at the *Robbins Library*, *Town Hall*, on Pleasant Street near the *preschool* on the corner of Maple Street, *Sunrise* (assisted living in Arl. Heights) plus elsewhere in Arlington); **those signs were removed**. Apparently the Selectmen (and / or police) have not asked that these portable **safety signs** be put back into use.

I have not owned a car in many years, or even rented one. **I must rely on the MBTA,** as do millions of people. If the "T" doesn't go there, I can't either. Much more roadway consideration should be given to "T" riders (than bike riders).

When the "T" held a public Hearing June 9, 2011 re: suggestions for improving the 77 Bus Rt., I could not get there without being drenched by pelting rain, so I later asked at Town Hall for the name of the person I could write to. The P. O. returned that letter to me. Laura Weiner (Arl. Town Planning Dept.) had given me the wrong name. I then re mailed my letter of Friday, June 17, to Rich Davey: COPY enclosed.

My principle suggestion was to designate the lane closest to the sidewalk on Mass Ave a BUS LANE or at least Priority for "T" buses. The 2010 ridership totals of the three MBTA buses: 77, 79, & 350 were over TWO MILLION paying customers. Except for the 79, these run is frequently at 18 plus hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, rain or shine, See enclosed copy of 2010 MBTA Ridership Totals.

Under no circumstances should bikers be given a lane on Mass. Avenue. Whether the money is taken from Mass Gas Tax, Federal funds, or borrowed from China or elsewhere.

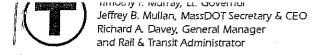
Catherine A. King

60 Pleasant Street, apt. # 507

Arlington, MA 02476

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February 15, 2011

Catherine A. King 60 Pleasant Street Apt. # 507 Arlington, MA 02476

> Re: Public Records Request 11-12 Total Ridership Data for 2010 Bus Routes #77, #79 and #350

Dear Ms. King:

In reply to the referenced public records request, enclosed please find a memorandum setting forth the requested ridership numbers for 2010.

I have been advised by the Systemwide Modernization Department that children who ride free were not included in these numbers.

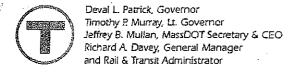
Sincerely yours,

Susan M. Krupanski

Assistant General Counsel

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TO:

Susan M. Krupanski

Assistant General Counsel

FROM:

Joseph P. Kelley 🖇

Deputy General Manager Systemwide Modernization

DATE:

February 14, 2011

RE:

Freedom of Information Request #11-12

Freedom of Information Request #11-12 requests bus ridership data for the following routes: #77, #79 and #350.

Totals for the requested routes for 1/1/2010 to 12/31/2010:

Route 77 = 1,991,1963

Route 79 = 259,965

Route 350 = 425,327

If any additional information is requested, please don't hesitate to contact us.

CC:

R. Creedon

T. Armstrong

Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority
Ten Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116
Tel: 617-222-3106, TDD: 617-222-5146
www.mbta.com

Eric Scheier, Project Manager MBTA Operations and Service 45 High Street Boston, MA 02119 - 2302 enc w/ 604687

Re: MBTA Route **77 Bus Route Improvements**Thursday, June 9, 2011; 6:30 to 8 PM
Selectmen's Hearing Room, Arlington Town Hall

I rely on MBTA bus (and subway) service, and have for decades, to go everywhere: if the "T" doesn't go *there*, I cannot either. I use my Senior Citizens Links Pass constantly.

So, over the years, many ideas have occurred to me that would improve bus service, but because of random pop-up, pelting showers, thunder, and lightening that evening, I could not walk to Town Hall while you were taking recommendations from the public.

In January, I wrote to the new General Manager, Richard A. Davey asking for *ridership totals* <u>within</u> Arlington <u>Town limits</u> of the 3 major bus routes ( **77**, 79 and 350) which transport passengers on <u>Massachusetts Avenue</u>.

Enclosed, for your immediate reference, a copy of the 77 Rt. schedule and a copy of the letter of reply and data sheet (xeroxed back-to-back) mailed to me February 16, 2011 by Susan M. Krupanski, Assistant General Counsel for MBTA Law Department.

Please note that the **2010 ridership totals** are given *for the entire route* - departure to destination: **just <u>under</u> 2 million passengers** - and, *maybe*, really 2 million.

### The **77** operates:

\* 365 days a year whether . . .

Rain or shine

Iced over storm drains

humidity so suffocating that workers are dismissed for the day from their air-conditioned Town offices.

Snow up to your waist – and bus Stop not shoveled out forcing passengers to climb over the snow bank or stand out on Mass Ave.

Windy or fair

- \* **18 plus hours a day,** (not all riders are counted by the fare box, such as children under **11** yrs. old accompanied by an adult, as noted in *Krupanski's* letter, and other persons who qualify to ride free of charge)
- \* **Departures** so frequent the MBTA cannot list all times on the schedule printed for passengers.
  - \* wheel chair access
  - \* bike rack on front

With this background in mind, my suggestions to improve route 77 for the passengers:

- \* designate the outside traffic lane (next to the sidewalk) on Massachusetts Avenue
  - a **BUS LANE**: priority for MBTA buses (not, as in Ottawa, a lane only for buses).

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Tuesday, June 28, 2011
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Richard A. Davey enc. with 604687
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Boston, MA 02116-3974
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### Ridership TOTALS for 2011

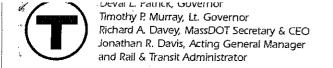
I would like to know the **Total** number of **passengers** carried on "T" Buses in Routes **77**, **79**, and **350** from January 1st to December 31, 2011.

According to the T bus time schedules - available to passengers - \* children under 11 years old who are accompanied by an adult, ride "free". Others may also qualify to ride without paying a fare (please clarify who else qualifies to ride free of charge: for instance, perhaps \* blind person; \*person assisting a blind person; or \*? others, such as?). Please state whether the Total, for each of the 3 bus routes, is just those who paid a fare or also includes the number of fare-free passengers.

In addition to ridership, I would like to know how many senior citizens who live in Arlington have been issued an MBTA SENIOR photo ID Pass; the total on record in recent years, not only the number issued in 2011.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Catherine A. King Apt. 507 60 Pleasant Street Arlington, MA 02476







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RE:

Public Records Request 12-50

Passenger Counts for Bus Routes 77, 79 and 350

Senior TAP Passes

Dear Ms. King:

This letter is in response to your public records request regarding the referenced.

Please be advised that the estimated costs of complying with your request are as follows:

3 pages at .20 per page	\$	.60
Search and Segregation Time 1.5 hours at \$ 33.93 per hour	\$	50.90
Postage	\$	.45
Total	\$ :	51.95

This amount must be paid in advance and is just an estimate, which may change when the work is actually performed. Please be advised that the MBTA reserves the right to assert any and all available objections and exemptions under the public records law.

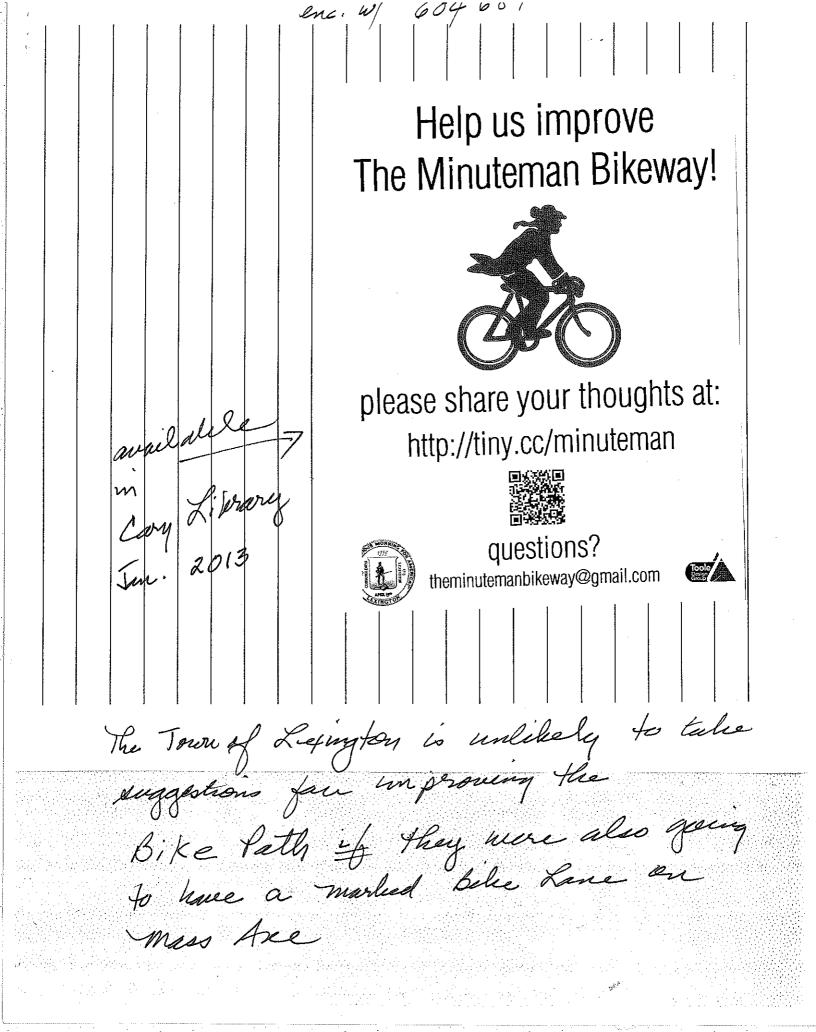
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If you want the MBTA to provide the requested documents to you kindly send a check, in the amount of \$51.95, payable to the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, to my attention.

Sincerety yours,

Susan M. Krupanski

Assistant General Counsel



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## TOWN OF ARLINGTON MASSACHUSETTS 02476-4908

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Thomas Broderick, Chief Engineer Mass DOT Highway Division 10 Park Plaza, Suite 4160 Boston, MA 02116 MAR 1 1 2013

MassDOT

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Dear Mr Broderick,

On behalf of the Board of Selectmen and the people of Arlington I would like to thank you for sending your team to conduct another hearing on our Corridor Project. It was a long night of testimony — your team did an excellent job of keeping control and insuring that all voices were heard. As you and Mass DOT have done before you've gone above and beyond for Arlington.

This is a very important project for us and I'm glad that by now you've heard of the enthusiastic support of our officials and citizens. There continues to be a few who are opposed – but I believe we have compromised with them and still have a great project. By our count 75% of the testimony favored the project – I believe this represents the sentiment of a majority of our 43,000 residents.

I mentioned in my comments that evening that this project will have a major impact on our town for many years to come. This project will improve:

Safety - for pedestrians, bicyclists and automobiles

Roadway and Sidewalks – that will be re-designed and re-surfaced Technology – lighting and traffic lights that will be replaced and improved Handicap Accessibility – that will meet current required standards Parking – to benefit residents, visitors and businesses

Streetscape – make this roadway greener and far more attractive After this project this area will become even more of a destination for shoppers, diners, movie-goers, visitors and residents - a project that will benefit every citizen and business owner throughout the town. You and Mass DOT have many requests for your support. Thank you for supporting Arlington these last 5 years and we look forward to working with you and your team as we bring this project through to completion.

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Regards,

Kevin F. Greeley, Chairman

### KATE LEARY

39 Milton St. • Arlington, MA 02474 • (781) 266-6497 • kleary@gmail.com

March 1, 2013

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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza
Boston, MA 02116

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Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

MassDOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Dear Mr. Broderick:

I am writing in support of the Mass Ave. Corridor Plan in East Arlington. I attended the Town Meeting last week but didn't speak. I agree with everything Phil Goff of the East Arlington Livable Streets Coalition said and appreciate the work his organization has done on this important issue.

I moved to Milton Street in East Arlington last summer with my husband and two young sons. We moved from a neighborhood in Somerville where we walked to work, preschool, parks, and businesses. We chose to live in East Arlington largely because of the walkability and transit it offered.

I love our new neighborhood, with its friendly residents as well as its parks and small businesses, but I was disappointed to realize just how challenging it is to cross Mass Ave. safely. We have accounts at Leader Bank, which is directly across Mass Ave. from Milton Street, but there is no crosswalk even though there is a bus stop. I have to choose between dashing across the street illegally or walking an extra two blocks to cross at a crosswalk that most drivers ignore. When my 2-year-old and 4-year-old are with me I usually just skip it. My preference is always to walk, but sometimes it feels safer to drive around here.

Even when there are crosswalks, the sight line across the vast expanse of Mass Ave. is simply not safe. I am terrified every time I step out into one with my kids. I'm conscientious about stopping for pedestrians in crosswalks, but the way Mass Ave. is set up right now, I don't always see them right away and often have to slam my brakes on.

The only thing more terrifying than crossing Mass Ave. is biking on it. It's an embarrassment how little respect bikers are accorded as soon as they leave Cambridge. Currently the only place I feel comfortable riding my bike in Arington is on the bike path, but it doesn't take me everywhere I would like to go.

I am delighted with the thoughtful plan MassDot has proposed and can't wait for work to start. In addition to improving safety for pedestrians and cyclists, I believe it will make East Arlington a more attractive place to be for residents and businesses.

Sincerely,

Kate Leary

CC: Pamela Stevenson (FHA), Tomasz Janikula (FHA), Laura Wiener (Arlington), EALSC

### Letter of Support for Mass Ave Corridor Plan

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February 26, 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116 MAO 1 1 9013

MassOOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Last November, I opened a retail shop on Mass Ave in East Arlington. I am writing in support of the Mass Ave Corridor Plan which would transform the current avenue into three automobile traffic lanes and two bicycle lanes.

Since my business has been operating, I have seen a serious need for traffic calming measures. The current roadway is dangerous for both drivers and pedestrians alike. Without specific lanes and bike paths, driving, bicycling or crossing the street is haphazard, unpredictable, and risky. Cars and trucks constantly speed along Mass Ave, passing each other without much order and the new plan addresses these problems.

Though I understand the concerns that the road construction could cause short-term problems for local businesses, these worries are outweighed by the long-term benefits that both residents and businesses would gain. The new plan would help by calming traffic, by connecting both sides of Mass Ave for pedestrians, and by adding much needed bicycle infrastructure. I support the Mass Ave Corridor Plan as the best plan for a safer and more accessible neighborhood.

Thank you,

Ellen Aronson

112 Mass Ave

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Arlington, MA 02474

Owner, Salvage Ltd

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## THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HIGHWAY DIVISION

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MassDOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

### FEDERAL AID PROJECT

### ARLINGTON, MA

### RECONSTRUCTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, FROM POND LANE TO CAMBRIDGE CITY LINE Project File No. 604687

This sheet is provided for your comments. Your input is solicited and appreciated. Please return your sheet, with comments, to a staff member at the meeting, or mail to:

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer
MassDOT – Highway Division
10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116-3973
Attn: Project Management

The final date for receipt of written statements and exhibits for inclusion into the official hearing
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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116

Re: Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue from Pond Lane to the Cambridge City Line, Project 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick,

The Arlington Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) has voted unanimously for this project in the past and an overwhelming majority of the TAC continues to be very strong and enthusiastic supporters of the currently proposed project for the following reasons:

- Improves safety for all modes (pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists, and transit)
- Provides a more orderly flow of traffic
- Slows down traffic throughout the corridor, but maintains mobility
- Reduces pedestrian crossing distances
- Provides dedicated bicycle lanes
- Optimizes traffic operations at signalized intersections
- Provides additional traffic lanes where needed
- Enhances streetscape for users and businesses
- Maintains parking
- Enhances transit amenities

We have reviewed the results of the new Highway Capacity Manual Multimodal Level of Service analysis for Urban Streets requested by FHWA and summarized in the memorandum of January 23, 2013. While we have questions with some of the results, the findings continue to support the conclusion that two westbound travel lanes with the outside lane shared with bikes would not significantly improve traffic travel time over the proposed one westbound traffic lane with bike lane. We also understand that the two-lane analysis does not take into account any traffic delay created by bicyclists in the shared lane, which if considered, would only further support the one-lane project with dedicated bike lane.

While the new analysis also does not explicitly look at safety, we believe it is inherently safer for pedestrians to cross only three travel lanes rather than four.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and we look forward to moving this project into construction.

**Arlington TAC Executive Committee** 

Jeff Maxtutis, Co-Chair

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cc (via e-mail): Pamela Stevenson, Division Administrator, FHWA

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February 28, 2013

Dear Mass DOT.

that are at the Feerit of the Wass Avenue for the project in East Ari meter. When I list heard about the project I was pretty excited. That part of Mass Avenue is ridiculously wide and confusing for all travelers, as well as being visually unappealing. In my opinion it couldn't be a worse set-up for the friendly and walkable community of East Arlington. As a driver I am often unsure of where I should be, as a walker with children I am often nervous (especially during rush hour or when it rains). As a casual biker I am often apprehensive and will go out of my way to avoid Mass Avenue (thus avoiding the businesses located on it). And as an occasional bus user I am often frustrated by the current placement of stops relative to the placement of crosswalks.

So when I heard that there was serious opposition to the plan I was surprised, but willing to listen. I understood that there are competing interests and viewpoints in the community, and that not everyone shares the same vision. However, I became less sympathetic when I witnessed the opponents to the project's tactics. Not satisfied with making a straightforward case against the project they have often resorted to misinformation and scare tactics, both to local businesses and to the public. They have sought to disrupt meetings with shouts and heckles, rather than reasoned discourse. In short they have sought to bully their way into getting what they want. And they have gotten some of what they wanted. The plan has undergone many revisions in response to community pressure, some good and some not as good in my opinion. But opponents to the plan are not looking to work with others in the community to address their concerns. They are looking to kill the project.

But why are some (a very vocal minority) looking to kill the project? I'm not sure. There are people who would benefit from making that section of Mass Avenue into a 4-lane expressway, but those people don't live in Arlington. Certainly someone who lives in Lexington and works in Cambridge might prefer to travel faster through Arlington on her way home. And perhaps other communities looking for Federal and State money for their road projects would appreciate having this money available to them. For Arlingtonians there is no benefit to rejecting state and federal money for necessary road improvements. For Arlingtonians there is no benefit to rejecting pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements. For Arlingtonians there is no benefit to retaining the current confusing road conditions. For Arlingtonians there is no benefit to rejecting a plan to improve the visage of East Arlington. For Arlingtontonians there is no benefit to rejecting improved accommodations for people with disabilities.

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Dear Mr. Broderick:

I am writing to voice my opposition to Arlington's proposed Massachusetts Ave. Corridor Plan—a plan that would reduce the number of automobile travel lanes while providing dedicated bicycle lanes. My concerns center around the fact that proponents of the plan seem to have successfully diverted public attention from the reality that a safe and effective alternative to having bicycles and automobiles share the same roadway already exists. It is a twelve-ft. wide, paved bicycle path that runs parallel to Massachusetts Ave. through the entire length of Arlington, from the Cambridge to the Lexington lines. For much of that distance, the Minuteman Bike Path is no more than a few hundred yards from Massachusetts Ave. When the Arlington Board of Selectmen sought Federal and State funding for the project several years ago, it was with the stated objective that it would provide a safe alternative to bicycle riding on Massachusetts Ave. The path has successfully met that goal.

For example, a bicyclist riding from the Cambridge line to Arlington Center encounters only two cross streets on the bikepath as opposed to having to contend with thirty-seven side streets that intersect Massachusetts Ave. over the same distance, along with the numerous entry and exit ways to off street parking lots for drugstores, gas stations, a minimall, etc. While it is not a part of the proposed reconstruction, it should be noted that a bicyclist continuing from Arlington Center to the Lexington line again encounters only two cross streets on the bikepath while the cyclist riding on Massachusetts Ave. has to pass by thirty-nine side street intersections plus the numerous entrances and exits to businesses as well as condominium and apartment off-street parking areas. In short, Massachusetts Ave. does not provide a safe environment for bicycle riding. It never has, and even if the proposed plan is approved, it will still fail to do so.

I am also disturbed by the blatantly false assurances echoed by plan proponents who claim that reducing the number of travel lanes will not cause any appreciable increase in congestion. The recent snowstorm and the accompanying reduction in travel lanes to one lane in each direction proved conclusively how wrong those assurances are. We had virtual gridlock along Massachusetts Ave. during rush hours. As a resident of a side street that intersects Massachusetts Ave. I can attest to the fact that we also saw a several-fold increase in automobile traffic as frustrated drivers sought alternatives to the bumper-tobumper traffic on Massachusetts Ave.

One speaker at the February 26 public hearing asked an interesting question—before embarking on an irreversible project, couldn't the Town determine whether it would slow traffic or not by simply trying it out first? She suggested using traffic cones to temporarily block one lane and see what happens. No one from the Board of Selectmen, or their consulting engineer firm, took the trouble to answer her question!

Arlington's current plan is seriously flawed. It will only cause an increase in vehicular congestion, it will doubtlessly give bicyclists a dangerously false sense of security, and it will needlessly endanger the residents of the side streets that will invariably end up being used as short cuts. I strongly urge you to reject it as it is currently written.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my position.

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Attachments (2)

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Henderson St.

Fairmont St.

Thorndike St. / Teel St.

Lee Terr.

Magnolia St.

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Varnum St.

Windsor St.

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Trowbridge St.

Melrose St.

Marathon St.

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Lake St. / Winter St.

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Elmhurst Rd.

Marion St. / Bates Road

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Avon St.

Franklin St.

Whittemore St.

Moore Pl.

Broadway

Medford St.

Streets that intersect with Massachusetts Avenue between Arlington Center and the Lexington line:

Library Way / Water St.

Court St.

Central St.

Academy Rd.

Jason St. / Mill St.

Willow Ct.

Bartlett Ave.

Newman Way

Churchill Ave.

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Lockeland Ave. / Schouler Ct.

Grove St.

Coleman Rd.

Prentiss Rd.

Mt. Vernon St.

Walnut St.

Orchard Pl.

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School St.

Robbins Rd. / Old Colony Lane

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Mr. Thomas F. Broderick Chief Engineer MassDOT Highway Division 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116-3973

Re:

Project #604687

Reconstruction of Mass Ave, Arlington

Dear Mr. Broderick.

I was Chair of the Transportation Advisory Committee for Arlington from 2001 to 2011, and participated in the development of the Mass Corridor Project. I would like to share with you some of the early history of the project.

In 2001, the Town hired Louis Berger Associates to do a study of lane configurations on Mass Ave in East Arlington. This study was precipitated by two pedestrian fatalities on Mass Ave in the East. The study suggested several 2, 3 and 4 lane options for consideration. In 2002, the Transportation Advisory Committee and the East Arlington Good Neighbor Committee (an existing neighborhood group) hosted several meetings at the Fox Library to present and discuss the options, and to get public input. These meetings, in 2002, led to the following objectives for the corridor:

- 1. Improve safety for all users: motorists, pedestrians and cyclists
- 2. Reduce through traffic on neighborhood streets
- 3. Maintain mobility for all users along Mass Ave at an acceptable level-of-service while not attracting new auto traffic
- 4. Improve the environment for transit users by coordinating bus stops with crosswalks
- 5. Encourage more orderly traffic flow
- 6. Enhance streetscape in the area
- 7. Increase business patronage

Later, a more focused study was conducted by VHB to respond to these specific goals, and to get the project recognized by the state transportation committees for funding. The primary recommendation of this study was a single lane in each direction except at the approaches to Lake Street and Rt 16.

In 2006 the Town put the design out for competitive bid with these objectives, and FST won the competition between several bidders. Due to various funding issues, the design work didn't begin until 2008. An oversight committee for the project was formed by the Town Manager that included representatives from interested groups in the town. Many public meetings were conducted starting at the 25% design, and opposition emerged, primarily focused on the bicycle lanes and the number of lanes. The Board of Selectmen added members of the opposition to the oversight group, but they did not work constructively with others on the committee, and nullified its performance. This vocal and politically astute minority opposition continues to this day.

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MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

Attention: Thomas F. Broderick, P.E.

Chief Engineer

RE: Proposed Massachusetts Ave. Rebuild

East Arlington, MA

Dear Mr. Broderick:

My office is located at 40 Mass. Ave. in East Arlington, one block from Alewife Brook Pkwy and the Cambridge City Line. I commute on Mass. Ave. daily, and frequently walk along Mass. Ave. to Capital Sq. Given the high volume of traffic that this major artery is subject to every weekday, it simply doesn't make sense to reduce the number of travel lanes from 4 to 3. As demonstrated every time we have a major snowstorm, and the snow is not plowed back to the curb, losing a travel lane in either direction creates a major slowdown in traffic flow. One lane of eastbound the traffic can get backed up all the way to Arlington Center; and westbound it backs up well into Cambridge.

Given the increase in bicycle traffic along Mass. Ave., I do not argue that cyclists must be given due consideration. But if they must be given separate lanes along this stretch of Mass. Ave., what about bike traffic along the rest of Mass. Ave., where separate lanes do not currently exist, and where it would be even less practical to provide separate lanes? Along well-paved stretches of Mass. Ave., cyclists seem to manage well without separate bike lanes; but in East Arlington, where Mass. Ave. Has become essentially a continuous stretch of potholes, cyclists must frequently swerve to avoid these obstacles. If the existing road were simply repaved, it would be a major improvement for all traffic, including cyclists.

It has been my observation that most bicyclists along Mass. Ave. pay little attention to traffic laws, and sometimes do not even stop for red lights at major intersections. I've even seen them ride on the sidewalk when the road was obstructed; and they generally swerve to avoid pedestrians, rather than stop for them. I fear that with separate bike lanes, their travel may be even more aggressive. But, if bicycle lanes are indeed an absolute necessity for this stretch of

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Mass. Ave., could they perhaps be included along a limited width of the existing or slightly widened sidewalk, where cyclists would be a lot safer than between parked cars and moving traffic?

There have been suggestions made that the existing sidewalks should be made wider, to accomodate outdoor seating, etc. But the existing sidewalks seem to have more than adequate width for normal pedestrian traffic, and the Town should not provide public space for expansion of private business. And it's also been suggested that more trees be planted along Mass. Ave. The existing trees grow into the overhead utility lines, and the leaves clog the drains every fall; plus dead branches frequently fall off older trees. The Town apparently does no tree maintenance, so it wouldn't make sense to plant more.

A major concern is and should be safety at pedestrian crossings of Mass. Are will tocorben limited that cars to not stop for pedestrians waiting to cross, pedages simply because the drivers to not notice a waiting pedestrian in time to stop. Paying attention to moving vehicular traffic can be a driver's primary concern. It should be imperative that signals be installed at all pedestrian crossings, and that cyclists be educated to also stop at these crossings. The proposed bumpouts at pedestrian crossings would do little if anything to improve safety, since pedestrians generally walk out to wait behind a parked car before crossing. But such bumpouts certainly do create a problem with proper snow clearing of the road, as evidenced where they already exist.

Finally, I wish to point out that if Mass. Ave. is reduced to 3 lanes, with one westbound lane, it will entirely stop westbound traffic when a westbound vehicle wants to make a left turn, which happens frequently during evening traffic. A left-turning driver may then take unnecessary risks in order to limit his holdup of traffic. The 3-lane proposal simply does not make sense, and is a prescription for major traffic problems. I sincerely hope that common sense will prevail.

Yours truly,

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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza

Boston, MA 02116

Attn: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick,

This letter is written to support the plan regarding the Mass Ave corridor project in East Arlington. I am quite familiar with the proposed project, and attended the most recent public hearing last week (although I did not get a chance to speak).

I commute by bicycle along Mass Ave from Arlington Heights to Cambridge five days a week year-round. I also own a car and drive along Mass Ave frequently, and although I live in the Arlington Heights neighborhood, I find myself a pedestrian along that area of Mass Ave as well during my visits to the local businesses. I find the current layout of the corridor unsafe, inconvenient, and unpleasant for all my modes of transportation (driving, biking, and walking). The road is too wide to cross comfortably as a pedestrian. The lack of lane markers provides an unorganized and therefore unsafe drive. The lack of any designated bicycle route is unsafe and causes conflict with the cars.

Under the current plan I recognize that there will be two lanes of travel for the eastbound side, although I believe one lane would be sufficient. Further, I understand that there will be one travel lane westbound. As I travel this road during rush hour every day, it is obvious to me that this is appropriate, especially in light of the widened bus stops and designated bicycle lanes, reducing the need for cars to swerve around buses or bicycles into an adjacent lane. I further see the wider sidewalks, bump-outs narrowing the crossing distance, and enhanced traffic light technology as all huge advantages.

The plan as outlined will enhance every mode of transportation, and I believe will allow East Arlington to become more of a destination neighborhood. This should obviously benefit the many shops and restaurants. Further, I own residential rental property in the neighborhood and I believe completion of this project will make my rental property more attractive.

In general, I see a cultural shift to a more green and healthy lifestyle compared to even just a decade ago. This plan encourages that shift by making the town more pedestrian and biker friendly, without deleterious effects on driving. We need to encourage more walking and biking. We need to provide a better Arlington for the next generation, not a worse one. This plan does that.

Mass Ave, the neighborhood, and the town desperately need this plan carried out. Please move ahead with great haste.

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Mr. Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

ATTN: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick:

I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed plan to redesign and repair Massachusetts Avenue in East Arlington, MA. Regrettably, a small but outspoken minority group of town residents are opposed to this project. In my view, this opposition is irrational and agonizing. It is my hope that we might begin to move forward and get construction underway without further delay.

I believe town, state and federal officials have done an outstanding job at developing a plan that will serve pedestrians, motor vehicle operators and cyclists and is consistent with the design of Massachusetts Avenue in the rest of the town and the city of Cambridge. Many thanks to you and your colleagues for your efforts to date.

Sincerely

Deborah G. Douglas

William D Moyer 49 Hillsdale Road Arlington, MA 02476 March 4, 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E.
Chief Engineer, MassDOT
10 Park Plaza
Boston, MA 02116
Attention: Project Management Section
Re: Support for Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue, from Pond Lane to the

Cambridge City Line in Arlington, MA

### Dear Mr Broderick:

I am a resident of Arlington, MA. As I was unable to attend the public meeting on Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> on the Massachusetts Avenue reconstruction project in Arlington, I am now writing to express my support for the current 3-lane design for the Massachusetts Avenue reconstruction as proposed by the Town of Arlington in conjunction with MassDOT. I urge the town and MassDOT to procede with the current design as is.

Sincerely,

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Town Meeting Member, Pct. 10

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Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Cc: Pamela Stevenson, Administrator FHWA Tomasz Janikula, Project Manager FHWA

Dear Mr. Broderick:

I am writing to ask you to push forward the Mass Ave Corridor Project in Arlington. We have been waiting many years for the construction to start and feel that a few residents in opposition to the plan have forced the majority of the town to wait years longer than necessary for the Mass Ave they deserve.

Mass Ave is our Main Street through East Arlington and currently divides the neighborhood since it is way too wide a swath of pavement to comfortably cross on foot regularly. We would like it to be more than that. We would like it to be safe for all users, more inviting for residents and guests, more livable for all.

As much as I would have preferred the two-lane configuration in one of the early iterations, as it was a far superior proposal for pedestrian safety, I can see that this compromise is still a much needed improvement to the current conditions and will be thrilled to see it come to fruition. I look forward to being able to cross the street with my dog without running, afraid of the vehicle off in the distance, approaching faster than they should. I look forward to wider sidewalks to be able to sit and have my coffee after frequenting a local business. I also look forward to driving down a more organized roadway that is clear about where each road users should be.

I sincerely hope that you will listen to the majority of residents, and support the plan for moving forward, rather than the vocal minority.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely.

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### Re: Comments on Reconstruction of Mass Ave, Arlington (Project No. 604687)

Dear Chief Engineer Broderick:

I write in support of the Town of Arlington's plan to reconstruct Mass Ave. in East Arlington. I am a regular bike commuter, a walker, and a motorist on this stretch of road and also a resident of an abutting street. I find the current configuration of Mass Ave. (very wide and unstriped) to be dangerous, chaotic and conducive to high speed driving, especially for a roadway that effectively constitutes our town center. The proposed reconstruction does a commendable job of addressing these safety issues while also enhancing the character of the area.

The fully striped bike lanes and pedestrian safety enhancements are very important to me as a regular user of the road. If vehicular traffic were slowed slightly to make the public roadway safer for vulnerable bikes and pedestrians, then I think it would be a worthy tradeoff. Nevertheless, east-bound traffic should actually be improved, and traffic studies completed in 2005, 2008, and 2009 by different engineering firms all concluded that the lower volume of west-bound traffic can be handled with a single traffic lane as long as a left-turn lane is provided at Lake Street (which the current Plan provides).

The public vetting of this project has been thorough and the Town has been responsive to the concerns of residents from all sides of the project. From attending several public meetings on this issue, I am aware that there is a relatively small group of individuals that are vocal in their opposition to this reconstruction project. However, it seems the opposition is not well grounded in facts. Their allegations of nightmarish traffic congestion and traffic spill-over to side streets are contrary to numerous traffic and engineering studies.

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I hope that Project No. 604687 will have the full support of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, in its current configuration, preserving bike lanes and pedestrian safety enhancements.

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Very Truly Yours,

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Attention: Project Management Section

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Dear Mr. Broderick:

We, along with the majority of Arlington residents, strongly oppose the proposed project to reconfigure Massachusetts Avenue. Specifically, reducing the number of vehicle lanes will cause gridlock along the already heavily trafficked Massachusetts Avenue as well as negatively impacting traffic on the adjoining streets. You have only to recall the effects of the recent snowstorm on February 8, 2013. Traffic lanes on Massachusetts Avenue were reduced for days, causing considerable traffic delays. Must we spend \$6.8 million dollars to permantely restrict traffic flow on this major artery, resulting in gridlock?

We request that you take into consideration the number of vehicles that traverse Massachusetts Avenue vs. the number of bicycles. Is it right, and in the best interests of the greater community, to inconvenience the majority of citizens for the few? Bicyclists do have an option.... an excellent one..... built at a substantial cost and reserved exclusively for use by bicyclists and pedestrians, It is the Minuteman Bikeway which parallels Massachusetts Avenue. Therefore, there is no imperative need to reconfigure Mass. Ave, whereas the cyclists already have a viable alternative.

As the Chief Engineer of the MassDOT, you have a duty and an obligation to provide excellent customer service to people who travel in the Commonwealth, and to provide the safest and most reliable transportation system in a way that strengthens our economy and quality of life. Massachusetts Avenue is a major transportation artery and every effort should be made to ensure safe and rapid vehicle transit along that route. The proposed project in Arlington will surely result in the opposite outcome.

We implore you, and the Arlington town officials, to resist the temptation to "grab federal funding", just because it is available, with the result of diminishing the quality of life for Arlington residents.

Thank you for your consideration.

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cc: Kevin Greeley, Chairman, Board of Selectmen East Arlington Concerned Citizens Committee Maria Romano

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Dear Mr. Broderick:

RE: Request for public comment

This letter is submitted in the course of the February 26 public hearing on the above referenced project and is my personal response to the invitation for written statements. I don't know the range of public comments that are relevant to current discussion. Therefore, please accept the general sense of my views.

First, I mentioned that I have always been skeptical of plans to narrow the road and reduce travel lanes available to motor vehicles. I expressed my reservation in a letter to Arlington Selectmen, dated August 9, 2009. My particular concern was the lack of a quality narrative, and concerns about the limitations of engineering modeling. I worried about subtle effects that might be introduced by the dramatic shift to the new plan. Shortly thereafter, Arlington selectmen approved the 25% plan. But the vote was not unanimous and I believe my concerns were broadly shared.

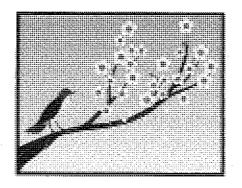
Second, I reaffirm my earlier request, that the project should not proceed without confident assurances that valued existing qualities would, within reason, be preserved.

Thind raise a new contain and the recent discusses be talined to the contained multi-received the received the project, there was a modest conventional assumption that the quality of trip times for personal cars and transit riders would be sustained or perhaps improved. Nothing factual or technical in the early plans dispelled this. Yet your own communications with John McVann at the U.S, DOT reveal some professional doubt that this is fact the case, to the best of current understanding. It does not reassure me that the tools for multi-modal operational analysis are new or imprecise or out of scope or arguably not a project requirement.

The demand for this project does not count as an emergency, in the emotional sense that we have bridges and roads all over the place that are falling apart and need repair. So no important public goal would suffer, if the project was paused and carefully reconsidered.

Sincerely.

Brian Hasbrouck



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Dear Mr. Broderick:

I attended the meeting at Arlington Town Hall on February 26 in support of the Mass Ave project, though I did not speak. I am writing to you now to express my STRONG support for East Arlington's Mass. Ave project. I am a 25 year resident of Arlington Heights, and I have enjoyed seeing how much the town has been revitalized over the years. I enjoy shopping and dining in East Arlington, but feel that the current Mass Ave is impossible for pedestrians to cross safely. It is my strong hope that the Mass Ave project will be approved and will make the area better for drivers, pedestrians, and bicyclists, will make the area more aesthetically pleasing, and will make Arlington a better community overall.

I ask you to please support the East Arlington Massachusetts Avenue project as it stands, with bike lanes!

Sincerely,

Sarah A. Bixler

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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer MassDOT Attn: Project Management Section, Project Number 604687 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

March 1, 2013

Dear Thomas,

My wife and I attended the first public hearing on the Mass Ave Corridor Project but did not have an opportunity to provide verbal comments then, and we were unable to attend the second hearing. We write now to express support for the project, and appreciate your consideration of these written comments.

For over a decade, we have been frequent users of the section of Mass Ave from Route 16 to Pond Lane. Our comments are based on our experiences as drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians along this stretch of roadway – and as Arlington residents who care deeply about the strength of our community.

The plan to improve Mass Ave is highly appropriate, essential, and overdue.

It doesn't matter what one's mode of travel is; from the vantage point of those on foot, or on two wheels or four, the prevailing sense along the current Mass Ave Corridor is uncertainty and confusion. Drivers decide for themselves whether the stretch is one, two, or three lanes of traffic in each direction; cyclists ride anxiously and unpredictably with no sense for drivers' boundaries; and pedestrians cross the street wondering if the speeding car will yield long enough to allow safe transit. It is a no-man's land and a free-for-all. There is no greater threat to driver, cyclist, and pedestrian safety than high-speed uncertainty.

The proposed lane configurations, street light timing, parking reconfigurations, and crosswalks will add a significant touch of order to the chaos. Greater delineations will stem the erratic behavior that causes confusion, aggression, and too often, accidents. The new design will create order by eliminating the temptation to jay-walk, removing ambiguity around driving and cycling lanes, and improving visibility for all.

We have heard some opponents of the project cite concerns about traffic, even going so far as to commission independent "studies" of the traffic patterns. This is much ado about nothing. East Arlington could turn the Mass Ave Corridor into a superhighway without reducing east-bound traffic because of one simple fact: there is, and will remain, a bottleneck at the intersection with Alewife Brook Parkway. Timing the lights may improve traffic flows, as the project engineers have modeled, but objecting to the plan on the basis of traffic concerns is largely irrelevant because this stretch of road will always terminate at Route 16. We therefore urge you to discount the objections to the project that others have raised based on concerns about traffic.

Finally, there is the issue of community. Compared to Lexington, Bedford, Medford, Belmont, and even Concord, Arlington is defined by the unique strength of its local businesses. We have been thrilled by the diversity of dining, shopping, and entertainment within walking distance of our house near Arlington Center. So-called "road diets" have become standard practice as cities and towns around the country seek to reduce driving, get people out and about, and build vibrant local economies. Having followed other cities' and towns' experiences with them, I have noticed a pattern: the plans are proposed, opposed,

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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer MassDOT - Highway Division 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116-3973

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Dear Sir:

I am writing in response to the Public Hearing held in Arlington on Febuary 26, 2012 on the Mass Ave Project, which I was unable to attend. I support the 3-lane plan which has undergone so much scrutiny and evolution over the past years, and I look forward to its being implemented. I oppose the 4-lane proposals.

Sincerely,

David Markun

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Dear Sir:

I am writing in response to the Public Hearing held in Arlington on Febuary 26, 2012 on the Mass Ave Project, I oppose the 3-lane plan, losing a travel lane and mobility, for very little justification. I want to see a 4 lane plan that actually improves the main road our town relies on.

We strongly oppose this road project.

Sincerely.

Thomas and Denise Lynch

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Attn: Project Management

RE: Mass Ave Reconstruction - Arlington, MA

Dear Mr. Broderick,

lattended the Design Public Hearing of February 26, 2013. Generally, I support the proposed plan. Two comments:

- 1) Bus stop at the Capital Theater—I agree with others that the bus stop should be moved from in front of the Theater to the next block east. This would ease congestion and improve flow at the Mass Ave/ Lake Street intersection.
- Gray Street traffic calming mitigation. As traffic calming is introduced along the length of Mass Ave, please implement traffic calming measures on Gray Street to mitigate. Neighborhood residents have already observed that traffic is diverting off of Mass Ave due to recent reconfigurations and calming measure on Mass Ave between Brattle Street and Stop and Shop.

Consider this – Along the entire length of Gray Street (1.2 miles) there is only two stops: Highland and Jason Street. There are no other traffic calming features that Mass Ave will have. The result is that Gray Street has heavy and fast moving traffic that is not safe and not consistent with the residential character or use. It is reasonable to expect even more traffic will divert to Gray Street upon completion of the Mass Ave reconstruction.

As a mitigation project, tied to reconstruction of Mass Ave in central Arlington, please reconfigure and reconstruct Gray Street to include mitigating traffic calming measures. These might include: traffic calming tables, signaled crosswalks for kids walking to Brackett School, neck-downs, "no turn between certain hours" signs at feeder streets to push traffic to Mass Ave or Route 2 where it belongs and overnight on-street parking. Personally, I do not believe radar speed reading signs would be effective.

Once again, I, generally, support the Mass Ave reconstruction plans and I thank Arlington, MassDOT and FST for their hard work.

Sincerely.

Greg Thompson

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The final date for receipt of written statements and exhibits for inclusion into the official hearing transcript will be ten (10) days after the Public Hearing. Please type or print legibly. Please begin this project as soon as possible. The project is very Well planned, has incorporated numerous community suggestions and is long overdue to break ground. The project will improve the beauty and commercial viability something be done is the best plan for it time given for public Comment has been excessive, un warran and probably unprecedented. Countless often projects with potentially much larger impacts have sailed through with little or minority with suspicious funding and strategies has refused down after winning multiple consecsions Name Organization Address

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We live in East Arlington and strongly support the Mass. Ave Corridor Project for the following reasons:

- 1. We often do our errands on bicycle. We will be more likely to shop at the stores on Massachusetts Avenue because of the safety improvements.
- 2. We often catch the 77 Bus to Harvard Square. Walking across Mass Ave will be much safer for us with the improvements.
- 3. We also drive frequently to and from Cambridge. Having the bike lanes and widening parking lanes will make our driving easier and safer.
- 4. Adding the Bates Road signal will give us other options as pedestrians or bicyclists as to where to cross Mass Ave. It will also make turning onto Mass

We hope the project goes forward as planned.

Sincerely

Catherine Farrell and Steve Wofsy

76 Park St.

Arlington, MA 02474

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99 Spy Pond Parkway. Arlington, MA 02474 Phone (781) 646-9342 Town Meeting Member Precinct 2 East Arlington

THOMAS F. BRODERICK, P.E., CHIEF ENGINEER, MassDOT- Highway Division 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116-3973

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I am writing to you to express my opposition to the Mass. Ave. Corridor road project. In East Arlington. While I feel there are many good elements to the plan, I do not think the elimination of a travel lane and the addition of two 5 foot bike lanes is a good idea, I feel that Mass Ave should remain a 4 lane shared roadway. I am in favor of all the other Improvements.

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Pond Street into a three lane road with bike lanes.
You have your professional engineer license. You
know what you are doing. I support you to competete
this project making East Arlington a better, safer
place to live.
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Address 20 Waldo Road Arlington MA 02474

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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston MA 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick:

I was unable to attend the February 26<sup>th</sup> hearing in person, and so I am writing to express my strong support for the Mass Ave. Corridor Design Plan.

I travel along and across Mass Ave in East Arlington by car, bike, and foot. I do so most often in my car, and in its current configuration, with below capacity volume, motorists often drive too fast simply because, most of the time, we can. With the reduction in lanes outbound, and with appropriate turning lanes, I have no doubt that the new design will calm and bring order to traffic. As a sometime cyclist, I strongly support the proposed bike lanes, as they facilitate safe bike travel, but also they are clearly the best way to implement the settled public policy in this state to accommodate bicyclists and promote multiple use of state roadways. And I applaud how the design makes the Corridor more accommodating for pedestrians, with the planned new crosswalks, bump-outs and refuge islands. I am someone who crosses Mass Ave often by foot — on the way with my kids to the Hardy school, heading to Alewife to catch the "T," and going to and from businesses in East Arlington. And every time I cross the Ave — I am very aware of how careful I must be, because of how fast cars are traveling and the distance I must cross to get to the other side of the Avenue.

For these reasons, I am convinced that the proposed plan dramatically improves on the current roadway and will greatly benefit East Arlington. To accommodate the heavy inbound traffic during the morning rush hour, the plan appropriately retains the current two Cambridge-bound lanes. Outbound – towards the Center – the plan reduces the lanes from two to one, an appropriate change in light of the fact that repeated traffic studies confirm that one lane can accommodate outbound traffic that never comes close to approaching the inbound rush hour volume. This is the most controversial part of the plan; but it is well justified by traffic studies, and it is the very element of the plan that makes many of the much needed improvements – pedestrian refuges and islands, bump-outs, and bike lanes among them – possible.

As someone who is active in the neighborhood (as a recent Town Meeting member, Hardy School parent, and founder of the Friends of Waldo Park), I know that there is widespread support for the current plan. I urge you to move it forward to approval.

Sincerely.

Alex Hoffinger

cc: Pamela Stevenson and Tomasz Janikula, Federal Highway Administration

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To Whom it May Concern:

I would like to register my strong support for the Mass. Ave. reconstruction project in Arlington, particularly the improvements for pedestrian and cyclist safety.

I would also urge you to consider adding a crosswalk near Palmer Street, as this is one of the most common areas for jaywalking across Mass. Ave.

Thank You,

Thouis Jones

51A Wyman Terrace

Arlington, MA 02474

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first, and providing legal lanes for everyone.

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#### Joan U. Smeltzer, Arlington Resident – 7 years 15 Freeman St., #1 Arlington, MA 02474 j.u.smeltzer@gmail.com

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### RE: Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue - Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I was present at the February 26 Public Hearing but did.not.have the chance to comment. The , Suscinos Prese, etens, electronistrate, etilicias, likiandiensse accumer, Lover Meeting impresentatives ete that t appear will the organization rather between the process. When voices appealing the project finally got to speak, they were call-called and jaured, intimidating many other ordinary citizens who might have otherwise spoken their viewpoints, myself included. I just thought you should know.

My opposition has never been against bikers or repairing the road or making the road safe for pedestrian crossings. I ride the bus daily to Harvard Square for work, I drive occasionally for errands, I walk daily for my health and to shop locally. I support first simulating this plan in real life - not relying on a beta software model that considers A, B, C, D and even F levels of efficiency "acceptable." Temporary striping was proposed 4 years ago and repeatedly since then. I am VERY concerned that the one lane westbound will cause serious traffic snarls and delays in all forms of transportation. Your DOT rep stated that striping is a financial expense that the town pays for. It seems a small price to pay if the town reps believe so strongly that this is a plan that will improve transportation in the area. It is crucial that we try out this plan before rights-of-way have been signed and construction begun, before this major county artery becomes clogged in an urban area already choked with vehicles of all types, before small businesses have closed down due to less ease for automobile customers patronizing their businesses. Local pedestrians and bikers cannot begin to make up for lost revenue that would otherwise be spent by customers from out of Arlington.

The premise that because cars and trucks and buses will now travel slower, all these goodnatured drivers will pause and think, "Oh! What a charming town - I think I'll stop and shop here!" - is a ludicrous pipedream that is laughable. Դուրադանան ի և և բարականություն in the company stellings is stellings and the

While I don't oppose biking as a legitimate transportation mode, it is not the mode for most of Arlingtonians, (I understand the biking population is 2% Arlingtonian) - Why, oh why then, do they count more than the 98% whose transportation modes are otherwise? "Accommodation" of cyclists does not mean <u>dedication</u> of lanes on BOTH sides of this multi-use avenue! Share the road.

I implore you to use whatever leverage you have to try to condition the project moving forward on a temporary real-life simulation of the plan of the plan works, Brilliant! If it doesn't – it's best we know now. I thank you for your consideration and good judgment. વાલીએ કરામમાટે ભાગતા ફિલ્લાઓકેટ લાઇક્ષ્યના જ વાર આવવા ગામક કોમાંગાંટ ગુરાજ્યનું અના રસ્તુદ્રણના બું આ કેરામાં ઉદ્દેશિયા

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I am writing to express my support for the proposed Mass. Ave redevelopment plan in East Arlington. I suspect you may have heard that the plan is "controversial", but I think a strong majority of Arlington residents supports it. Furthermore, amongst the younger, educated, and higher income demographic, I suspect the plan enjoys even greater support. This is a plan that will stand Massachusetts and the town of Arlington in better stead for the future--with improved support for multimodal transportation, a safer Mass. Ave, and enhance the sort of walkable and liveable neighborhood that makes our community so desireable.

Sincerely,

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Boston, MA 02116
Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Mr. Broderick ---

In reference to the plan for reduction of traffic flow on Massachusetts Avenue to three lanes, I am not a supporter. I drive up and down Massachusetts Avenue every day on my way to and from work. In the morning, Mass. Ave. is frequently so crowded that it is difficult to leave the neighborhood.

Last summer there was construction at the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and Alewife Brook Parkway. The traffic backups that resulted from that work frequently went all the way to Porter Square, making for a miserable commute.

A couple of years ago flooding reduced the flow of traffic on Route 2 to one lane Eastbound. The overflow traffic on Mass. Ave went back to the center of Arlington. Reductions in street capacity will only make events of this type more stressful and unpleasant.

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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116 Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I am an Arlington resident who would like to express my support for the Mass. Avenue redesign project. I regularly walk, drive and bieyele this stretch of road and the design plans that I have seen will improve all of those modes of transportation and especially make it safer to drive on that dangerous section of road. I hope your office will not be swayed by the arguments of a poorly informed but highly vocal minority. I hope we can keep this project moving forward.

Sincerely

Douglas Greenfield

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### SAMUEL P. MILTON

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Dear Mr. Broderick,		-Color -Color -Color

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my feedback on the Massachusetts Avenue reconstruction project in Arlington, Massachusetts (Project No. 604687). As a resident of Arlington, and one that spends a fair bit of time on its streets on foot, on a bike, and in a car, I strongly support the proposed design.

Currently, the state of Mass Ave in Arlington is deplorable. It is rife with potholes that make cycling and even driving problematic, and crossing it on foot is often a harrying experience. If studies leading up to the current design are accurate, it will create a safer environment for those living in and travelling through East Arlington without causing significant problems to traffic flow, emergency vehicle access, etc. Resurfacing Mass Ave, along with installing bump-outs, additional crosswalks, bike lanes, and new traffic signals should help improve the conditions for all people using it.

Furthermore, I believe that the improvements to the sidewalks and associated work, such as benches, plantings, new lighting, etc. will increase foot traffic to the community, ultimately helping the area's businesses prosper.

I strongly encourage you to continue making headway toward the successful reconstruction of Mass Ave in Arlington.

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Re: Reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue, From Pond Lane to Cambridge City Line (Project File No. 604687)

Dear Mr. Broderick:

I attended the public hearing on this project on February 26, 2013 but chose not to speak given the overwhelming volume of speakers in attendance.

I would like to add my strong support for the proposed reconstruction project including a 3-lane cross-section, bicycle lanes, wider sidewalks, pedestrian crossing improvements, and streetscaping. While I would have preferred the earlier proposals for a narrower 2-lane cross-section with turn lanes, I think the current plan is a reasonable compromise.

I frequently bike or walk to businesses on Mass. Ave. Crossing or traveling along the street is currently an unpleasant and unsafe experience. Given the width of the street and speed of traffic, sometimes 35-40 mph, it is hard to cross safely. I am also a frequent rider of the #77 bus. I realize that it may take me a little longer to get home in the evening with the new design, but the tradeoff is well worth it for the improved safety and street environment.

I am also a homeowner in East Arlington. I very much value the neighborhood but will value it even more when the Mass Ave project is completed. Mass Ave will become a much more attractive destination and a place to spend time (and money) instead of just passing through.

Thank you for your support for the multi-modal design of the project, and I very much look forward to the project being completed.

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Sincerely,

Chris Porter 28 Lakehill Ave.

Arlington, MA 02474 cdptrans@gmail.com

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This sheet is provided for your comments. Your input is solicited and appreciated. Please return your sheet, with comments, to a staff member at the meeting, or mail to:

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer MassDOT – Highway Division 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116-3973 Attn: Project Management

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MassDOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

RE: Arlington, Mass. Avenue Project No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick:

Unfortunately, you were not present at the February 26th public hearing in Arlington asked for by FHWA. Your representatives were obviously not happy to be there. They were uninformed and unprofessional.

Ms. Rose and one other MassDOT representative had a verbal agreement with me, Maria Romano. It was quite simple. I needed more than the allotted 3 minutes and after a discussion just prior to the start of the Hearing, your representatives said okay.

I explained that I was speaking for over 50 residents in the audience. We all wrote my statement. My suggestion was to give me an additional 3 minutes instead of many of those residents getting up independently and saying what I was stating for all of us. This would move your hearing along at a much faster pace. The gentleman said to Ms. Rose, Maria Romano makes sense and agreed. (Unfortunately I did not get his namemy foolish mistake.)

In my opinion, I left that discussion with an agreement between 2 MassDOT representatives and Maria Romano--an elected Town Meeting member, business owner, and resident for over 34 years. However, when I was at the microphone during the Hearing and reached the 3 minute mark, Ms. Rose told me my time limit had been reached. So much for our agreement.

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Ms. Rose never asked FST at any time to answer any questions asked by any speaker. MassDOT also never attempted to answer any question. Why? Please answer me. Answer the businesses and residents of Arlington. Mr. Broderick, this is about families and businesses. These are people that I am concerned about.

Mr. Broderick--this public hearing was shameful and inexcusable. MassDOT, officials of Arlington and FST all work for the good people of Arlington. You need to keep this fact crystal clear. I am keeping it crystal clear.

4 years ago the majority of businesses along this corridor signed a letter opposing the Town's plan. Don't construe this as one letter. It was 81 expressed opinions.

4 years ago over 3027 residents signed a petition opposing the plan. Don't count that as one individual.

This year, 3100 registered voters got a non-binding question on our Town election in April and submitted a copy of the petition to MassDOT. Don't count that as one individual.

Please, with all respect, I am not going away and neither are the concerned citizens of Arlington. Are you going to be here for us and the right plan, or just for the officials of Arlington and special interest groups?

Lastly--enclosed is the complete transcript that the over 50 residents and I wrote to be presented by me at the Hearing. It is to become part of your public record. And remember, along with all the personal letters sent in to MassDOT--this statement counts for over 50 people opposed to this flawed plan.

Sincerely, Mana d Fornand

Maria Romano

Resident....Business Owner....
 Town Meeting member

#### AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH

Good evening-

We are relieved that the Federal Highway Administration requested this Public Hearing.

The majority of Arlington residents want you to listen carefully.

Fix Mass. Ave. -- Don't ruin it.

Keep 4 lanes, and Bikes Share The Road.

This plan was the best kept secret in Town from 2002 - 2008.

A chosen set of people put two 5-foot bike lanes into the Town's Plan for Mass. Ave. — Even when the Businesses and Residents said NO.

I want to address a fact. Abutters and Business Owners on that one mile of Mass. Ave. should have been informed of Plans in 2002, and on a continuous basis through a letter to each of them.

That did not happen.

It appears that the Town, FST, and the lobby group Alta out of Portland, Oregon, did not want full disclosure, full participation from the majority 98% of the people most negatively affected.

There was a meeting at the Fox Library in April 2009. Residents were invited at the suggestion of Business Owners, not because the Town thought of it. No public outreach by the Town.

The turn out was unprecedented. People upset were filling the room. A selectwoman at the time (2009) said to a resident--Laura Nastasi--who has lived in Arlington for over 63 years and who is an attorney, "Don't waste your time. This is a done deal."

This statement caused a fire storm of action. The Town knew by the end of that night that they had a problem.

We are not the problem. We are not holding this project hostage.

The Flawed Plan was the problem 4 years ago. And, the Flawed Plan is still the problem today.

We, the Residents and Businesses, for 4 years have worked hard to get the Right Plan for our Corridor. Make it safe for pedestrians.

This has never been about US versus BIKES.

- It is about SAFE and NOT SAFE.
- It is about FIXING Mass. Ave., not RUINING IT.
- It is about TOTAL DISCLOSURE, not the half-truths, better known as a lie.
- It is about TRANSPARENCY, not under the radar deals.

We want the money. Please, FST, MassDOT and the Town: Don't lose the money because your plan is flawed.

I helped form the EACCC 4 years ago, not to irritate anyone, but to SLOW IT DOWN and GET THIS PROJECT RIGHT.

We have come full circ'e and your plan, your analysis, and your outreach still leaves so many questions—either falsely answered or not addressed at all.

Are you going to fix your plan? Are you going to make it pedestrian-friendly and right for all users?

We have before us the Federal Highway Administration listening carefully tonight.

There is a Build or No Build scenario. This is your doing. Do it right. Get the money, finally, so Mass. Ave. can be brought up to the 21st Century. Fix it. Don't ruin it.

I personally don't want to hear a myth:

- Bike lanes or lose the money.
- Must do it now or lose the money.

Stop with the misinformation!

Do you know how much more it will cost to fix Mass. Ave. today? 18 to 22% more-close to ¾ of a million dollars. What a shame 4 years were wasted by not listening to the citizens or looking closely at EACCC's alternate plan submitted 4 years ago. The Town today still has a flawed and incomplete plan. Our Residents

Corridor Plan is safe for pedestrians and meets all Federal guidelines.

Our set of volunteers have given hundreds of hours, researching and analyzing your data, including submitting Freedom of Information requests to get information that was hidden from public view.

One of our selectmen said it best: Volunteerism is wonderful. The Town gets its experts without paying for their skills. He was speaking about Town's Committees. Why is it different when the Residents and Business volunteers, including the East Arlington Concerned Citizens Committee, analyze and research data? Show loss of Level of Service? You don't listen to it--Give it credence--Give it respect.

The Federal Highway Administration gave our work credence and respect.

The money spent by the Town for incomplete research and flawed analysis -- is a problem.

The people in this room deserve the best for their money. As stewards of our Town, why weren't you watching the methods, the analysis, the outreach or lack of outreach? Why? Can someone answer this question?

Please don't say this phrase: "This project has received the most outreach of any other project." The records, documents, and lack of agendas and minutes speak to the truth. Where are the minutes and agendas? Produce them to Federal Highway.

The result of the Build scenario is poor, incomplete, and biased.

This plan (your ideas along with lobbyists) was set in stone in 2002. But then concerned people came along.

4 years passed and all the Residents and Businesses concerned about Mass. Ave. are still here, strong and fighting for what is right.

Remember the Fox Library and a selectman stating to a resident: "Don't waste your time. This is a done deal."

We don't deserve deals. We deserve the best plan for the majority of users. I think perhaps that official wishes she never uttered those words to a resident.

Analysis and research I leave to our other volunteers--trained people.

I do outreach regularly to Businesses and Residents.

I would make a small bet tonight that I know better than many of you the 85 Businesses and thousands of residents opposed to removing travel lanes for two 5-foot wide bike lanes.

I have listened to their concerns and fears. You know they have great ideas. The view outside the window of Businesses makes each and every owner an expert on the do's and don't to fix Mass. Ave.

FACT: The outreach was nil to nothing for 6 years and then Businesses and Residents found out, and all the opponents of this ill-conceived plan of yours came forefront.

Dr. Berger touched on documents, truth, lies, collusion.

Why is it that public records requests which are submitted correctly by law are delayed, ignored, and incomplete if answered?

Why is it that the information in this Federal Highway Review Form dated August 20, 2012 was kept away from the public and me, a member of the Town's Mass. Ave. Review Committee?

This Review Form from FHWA in a great part leads us to this Public Hearing tonight.

Is this Open and Transparent to any of you? Federal Highway Administration wants answers, and so do we.

As I said earlier, no Done Deals, not Myths or Distortions (call it what you want).

Give us a Plan that will serve the majority of users. Make it safe for pedestrians.

Thank you for listening. Get It Right!



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## MASSACHUSETTS DIVISION PROJECT DESIGN REVIEW FORM

From: Tomasz Janikula, Are	a Engineer, District 4, FHWA Ma	ssachusetts Division
To: Yom Broderick, PE - Chief	Engineer, MassDOT (Highway Divis	lon)
State Project Number: 504687	Project Location: District 4 - Arlington	Federal Ald Project Number: PENDING
Project Description: The project includes safety impro modes of transportation in the co	vaments, enhancements and improved and or of Massachusetts Avenue in the	rement to the movement of all te Town of Arlington.
MassDOT Project Manager: Kimberley Sloan	Scheduled Advertise Date: FY 2013	Project Phase:
Reviewed by: Tomasz Janikula	Date of Review: August 20, 2012	☐ ☐ 25%

Resolution of Previous Comments:

Majority of the previous comments have been adequately resolved with the revisions to the 25% Design and with direct responses.

Outstanding Items to be Resolved:

1. We did not receive a complete response to prior comment # 1. Analyze and confirm that the vehicles turning onto Grafton Street and vehicles backing out of parking stalls on Grafton street have adequate sight lines (not blocked by landscaping or buildings) to safely operate.

#### **Review Comments:**

#### General Comments

2. There appears to be a high level of interest in the project including some opposition to the currently proposed assignment of cross sectional space between the different modes of travel. As noted in the 2010 Highway Capacity Manual, Chapter 16, Urban Street Facilities, page 16-1:

\*Design or operational decisions that are intended to improve the service provided to one mode can sometimes have an adverse impact on the service provided to another mode. The challenge for the analyst is to design and operate the urban system in such a way that all relevant modes are reasonably accommodated."

We recommend conducting further analysis resulting in quantification of the benefits and impacts of implementing a cross section with one vehicular and one bicycle thru lane in the Westbound direction and two vehicular and one bicycle lane in the Eastbound direction of the Massachusetts Avenue. One alternative option that could be evaluated could include providing two vehicular travel lanes with shared outside bicycle lane in both directions thru the limits of the project.

The quantified results of the analysis can be used to assess the level of performance that each travel mode (automobile, bicycle, pedestrian, transit) in the corridor will achieve, for the feasible cross sectional options. Also, the result of this analysis can be used to further justify the selection of the most reasonable design.

3. A notable design change has been made between the 25% Design and the 75% Design of the project. The change includes providing two vehicular travel lanes and one bicycle

Form Edition 1.04 Valid June 1, 2012 - Nov 30, 2012 iane in the eastbound direction of for the entire length of Massachusetts Avenue within the project limits. In light of this change, the significant public interest in this project, and the additional quantified multi modal operational performance analysis that will be performed on the project, we recommend holding an additional formal public meeting to inform the public of the direction of the project and seek further public input into the design.

4. In the last public hearing held on the project in on April 12, 2011, MassDOT has communicated its plan to review all of the comments received at the hearing and where feasible, incorporate them into the project. Please document how MassDOT has fulfilled this review. Provide any meeting minutes taken at the public hearing and any written comments received. Also, provide information on which specific comments were feasible and how the comments were incorporated into the design.

#### Conclusion:

This project is approved for further development subject to the satisfactory resolution of the above noted comments.

cc. Marie Rose, PE - Director of Project Management, MassDOT (Highway Division)
Kimberley Sloan - Project Manager, MassDOT (Highway Division)
Patricla Leavenworth, P.E. - District 4 Highway Director, MassDOT (Highway Division)

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MassDOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

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#### FEDERAL AID PROJECT

#### ARLINGTON, MA

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Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

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Mr. Broderick,

MassDOT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

We the undersigned support the current 3-lane Mass Ave Corridor plan for East Arlington and want to see it move to 100%. We are very concerned about a letter sent to you from Gregory Cohen of the American Highway Users Alliance on September 12, 2012. It was based solely on information from opponents to the plan. The information was at best distorted, at worst simply incorrect. It is unacceptable for a DC based lobbying group to attempt to influence what we do with a one-mile strip of road in a small Massachusetts town. You may not be aware that this group has had a consistently anti-environment position. For instance it fought the Kyoto Protocol, lobbied against increased vehicle mileage standards and fought to kill Congressman Markey's 2009 Climate Bill, the American Clean Energy and Security Act which passed the House but died in the Senate.

If we are to deal with climate disruption we need to encourage use of mass transit, foster walking and biking, promote shopping local, plant more trees and take other actions included in the current plan for Arlington which will decrease reliance on cars and ultimately curtail polluting automobile traffic while reducing carbon dioxide emissions. Massachusetts has an excellent environmental record, frequently setting an example for the entire nation. Many of us in Arlington would like to enhance that record with our plan for our street.

Thank you.

Gail McCormick

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30 Hamilton Rd

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Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

March 12, 2013

re: Mass Ave in Arlington - take the long view

PEMANES DELIVERED AT THE 2/26 PUBLIC HEARING

My second grade daughter talks about moving out of the house when she's older, but wants to stay on the same street. In fact she wants to move closer to Officer Hogan's house, a block away. Officer Hogan's sidekick is Dasty, our police dog. She says she would feel more secure knowing that Dasty would be even closer.

In the same way, I feel a dedicated bike lane is a safer bicycle accommodation. Cars stay to the left of a continuous line. I don't get that same sense when I ride on sharrowed roads. The sharrows often are painted too far apart and seem to break down (become less recognizable) quickly. A continuous line, even when left un-maintained, is still recognizable as a line for motorists. I'm a year-round rider and with few exceptions do cars cross that line when they're moving.

In 15 years, in 2028, my daughter will be an adult and I hope a cyclist. I'd like to think that this project will be implemented and provide a safer option for cyclists. I urge you all to take the long view, think of all of Arlington's children and grandchildren, and stay on course to build the project as designed.

I support the three-lane design and will vote no on the ballot question this April.

Thank you,

Andrew P. Bengtson

cc: Pamela Stevenson, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration Tomasz Janikula, Project Manager, Federal Highway Administration Laura Wiener, Town of Arlington Jeanie M. Tietjen 15 Allen St #1 Arlington, MA

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March 12, 2013

Mr. Broderick,

I'm excited about and support the Mass Ave project. The new design is really going to add to the mix of all that Arlington has to offer; parks and places to play, shops and restaurants, and it will emphasize person-to-person connection. Hurray!

Sincerely,

Jeanie Ŋ. Tietjen∤

cc: Pamela Stevenson, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration Tomasz Janikula, Project Manager, Federal Highway Administration Laura Wiener, Town of Arlington Massachusetts Bicycle Coalition 171 Milk Street, Suite 33 Boston, MA 02109 617-542-BIKE (2463) 617-542-6755 fax MassBike.org

March 12, 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer
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Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687
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Boston, MA 02116-3973

Dear Chief Engineer Broderick:

I am writing on behalf of the Massachusetts Bicycle Coalition (MassBike), and as an Arlington resident, to express strong support for the above-referenced project to reconstruct Massachusetts Avenue in East Arlington.

The **Right Balance**: This project is fundamentally about striking the right balance between the needs and safety of all the people using Massachusetts Avenue. People drive, bicycle, walk, take the bus, and use wheelchairs on Massachusetts Avenue. Some people simply pass through, others patronize the many businesses lining Massachusetts Avenue. Whether one is a driver, bicyclist, pedestrian, transit user, or disabled person, one deserves safe and convenient access to Massachusetts Avenue, Arlington's main street.

The Town of Arlington understands this, and has taken a very balanced approach to this project from the start, with the consistent support of the Board of Selectmen and Town Meeting. MassDOT's policies embody a balanced approach, from the MassDOT Project Development and Design Guide, to the Healthy Transportation Compact, to the GreenDOT Policy, to the Mode Shift Goals announced last Fall. USDOT policy since 2010 considers walking and bicycling as equals with other transportation modes, and requires safe and convenient walking and bicycling facilities in all federally-funded projects. Finally, the majority of the citizens of Arlington who have spoken up at public meetings understand and support the need for rebalancing Massachusetts Avenue to better serve all users.

**Excellent Public Engagement:** MassDOT and the Town of Arlington have done an excellent job providing opportunities for public participation and input throughout this project. I have personally been to several very well attended public information meetings and hearings at which there was ample opportunity for public comment. Differing points of view were well represented at every meeting.

The project team has clearly listened to public input, resulting in a design that is significantly different from the original proposal, particularly in the addition of a second travel lane in the eastbound direction for the entire length of the project. This was a major concession to those concerned about the possible traffic impacts of the project, despite the fact that the traffic data indicated that a single lane would handle projected traffic increases out to 2028 (increases which may well not occur given emerging data reflecting changing transportation choices).

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

March 12, 2013

Bike Lanes Are The Right Choice: While traffic counts have noted significant numbers of people bicycling on Massachusetts Avenue, it is by no means a bicycle-friendly street at present. Bicyclists must share space with fast moving cars, MBTA buses, and trucks. I ride my bicycle on this stretch of Massachusetts Avenue almost daily, and can personally attest that it is not for the faint-of-heart. I am a very experienced bicycle commuter, and I find Massachusetts Avenue an uncomfortable place to ride. With no dedicated space for bicyclists, I am routinely passed too close by drivers who refuse to give With no dedicated space. Despite this, I need to ride my bicycle on Massachusetts Avenue: it is the most bicyclists enough space. Despite this, I need to ride my bicycle on Massachusetts Avenue: it is the most direct route for my commute and I want to patronize my neighborhood businesses. In other words, bicyclists need safe and convenient access to Massachusetts Avenue for the exact same reasons as motorists. But many other bicyclists simply feel too unsafe to ride on Massachusetts Avenue, including kids, families, elders, and others less confident in traffic. The proximity of the Minuteman Bikeway is not a sufficient alternative for bicyclists any more than the proximity of Route 2 is for drivers.

The project design includes dedicated bicycle lanes on both sides of the roadway for the length of the project. We strongly support this design. While there are other possible ways to accommodate bicyclists on Massachusetts Avenue, bike lanes provide a reasonable balance of safety and convenience within the space available in this project. Studies show that bike lanes increase both ridership and safety by providing dedicated space that attracts more bicyclists, putting motorists on notice that bicyclists are present, and slowing motor vehicles to safer speed by narrowing the travel lane. By attracting more bicyclists, bike lanes help create the documented "safety in numbers" effect – simply put, the more bicyclists there are on a road, the safer it is for everyone.

Physically separated lanes (cycle tracks) might provide even greater safety for bicyclists by providing more separation and physical barriers between moving cars and bicycles, but would have required even more space than bike lanes. On the other end of the spectrum, shared travel lanes have proven ineffective at attracting bicyclists uncomfortable in traffic, and would not yield any of the safety benefits noted above. In the context of this project, bike lanes are the most reasonable alternative to meet the project goals for increasing bicyclist safety and access.

This project will result in more people bicycling and walking on Massachusetts Avenue, the hallmarks of a livable community. It will transform East Arlington into both a gateway and destination, creating a more vibrant neighborhood and bringing economic benefits to residents and businesses. When I see my wife confidently riding her bicycle from our home to her favorite shops in East Arlington, I will know we have succeeded.

For all of the reasons stated above, MassBike (and I personally as an Arlington resident) strongly supports this project as currently designed, and urges MassDOT to allow it to move forward to construction as quickly as possible.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments, in writing and at the public hearing. Please let me know if you need additional information.

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687 March 12, 2013

Very truly yours,

David Watson
Executive Director

Cc:

Pamela Stevenson, Administrator Tomasz Janikula, Project Manager Federal Highway Administration 55 Broadway, 10th Floor Cambridge, MA 02142

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Laura Wiener, Senior Planner Town of Arlington

# Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

From:

ADAM GERBERICK [agerberick@me.com]

Sent:

Monday, March 11, 2013 9:55 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

75% Design Public Hearing, Project Number 604687, Reconstruction of Massachusetts

Avenue, Arlington, MA

Dear Ms Sloan,

I was unable to attend the recent public hearing on the proposed East Arlington Mass Ave reconstruction project, but I wanted to write to express my strong support for the proposal.

I am a driver, a cyclist, and a pedestrian user of Mass Ave, a resident of Grafton Street, and my house is just two blocks from Mass Ave. Since moving to this house 15 years ago, my wife and I have consistently been concerned, even shocked, by a) the fact that Mass Ave's four lanes are unmarked, making car travel somewhat unpredictable; b) the lack of bike lanes, despite the large number of cyclists that use this route; and c) the long and clearly dangerous pedestrian crossings. Since moving to Grafton Street, we have started a family, and the thought of my kids having to navigate the crossings on Mass Ave makes me vastly more concerned.

I am looking forward to improvements in the road! My understanding of the project is that bike lanes will be added; pedestrian crossings made safer; and car travel lanes clearly marked. The fact that there will be three, and not four, car travel lanes to enable these improvements seems a sound and reasonable compromise.

There have been several years of planning put into this. At this point, I urge MassDOT to push this project forward quickly now!

Sincerely,

Adam Gerberick Grafton Street Arlington, MA

## Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

From:

Mahler, Steve [MAHLER@ellenzweig.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, March 12, 2013 12:35 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

"75% Design Public Hearing, Project Number 604687, Reconstruction of Massachusetts

Avenue, Arlington, MA"

Dear Kimberley,

I am an Arlington home-owner, residing at 81 Bow Street in Arlington Heights, and a Harvard Square business owner (Ellenzweig Architects). I am also a multi-modal user of Massachusetts Avenue from Cambridge all the way through Lexington: automobile, bus, and bicycle.

I am fully in support of the reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue, for a variety of reasons:

- 1. Supporting non-automobile transportation. I have parking space at my office in Cambridge, but I still prefer to use a bicycle for commuting, to lessen vehicular road traffic, for my fitness, and to reduce my carbon footprint. The new plan will support bicycle commuters with dedicated bike lanes, bus transportation with better-designed stops, and pedestrians with better sidewalks and crosswalks, which represents progressive transportation policy.
- 2. **Safety.** Last year my bicycle was hit on two occasions by automobiles on Mass. Ave. in East Arlington. In the first incident I was struck by an opening parked car door near Lake, and on another by a quickly-turning car at Orvis. The second collision was very dangerous and I was lucky not to be hospitalized. Both of these incidents would have been far less likely if a dedicated bike lane was available.

The presence of properly designed and shorter crosswalks would also reduce hazards for pedestrians on Mass. Ave, and could even have prevented some of the historical and tragic pedestrian deaths in East Arlington.

3. Supporting the East Arlington Economy. I currently avoid Mass. Ave. in East Arlington (and will do so until the street is reconstructed), because it is just too dangerous. I believe that many others feel and behave like I do, which is unfortunate for business owners in East Arlington (and a far greater economic drain on local business than the prospect of the proposed Mass. Ave. west-bound lane reduction). I feel that business owners in East Arlington who oppose the reconstruction are misguided in their opposition, because they do not understand that city transportation preferences are changing, and do not see how many consumer dollars are being diverted from the Mass. Ave. corridor by conditions that are unsafe and unsuitable for multi-modal transportation.

Thank you for considering my views, and please, please, continue full steam forward with the reconstruction as planned!

Best regards,

Steve

Steve Mahler, AIA, LEED AP

Principal



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From:

Maggie S. [tontowasgreen@gmail.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, March 12, 2013 1:34 PM

To:

Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

Subject:

Copy of my letter re: 75% Design Public Hearing, Project Number 604687, Reconstruction of

Massachusetts Avenue, Arlington, MA

9 Lancaster Road Arlington, MA 02476

March 12, 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer Mass DOT – Highway Division 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116-3973

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

Dear Mr. Broderick:

I was unable to attend the 75 % Design Public Hearing on February 26th regarding Massachusetts Avenue Reconstruction in Arlington, MA. But I did want to register my enthusiastic support for the proposed three-lane design with bike lanes, pedestrian safety improvements, and other enhancements for the neighborhood.

I live in Arlington Heights, and I work in Cambridge, MA. One of the reasons I bought my house was its proximity to the Minuteman Bike Path. I commute by bike in the warmer weather, otherwise I take the MBTA buses. When I bike I travel via a combination of Mass Ave and the bike path. I stop for coffee, or run errands in Arlington Center. I go to movies at the Capitol Theater, and eat dinner at one of the great restaurants. I also own a vehicle and have to drive down Massachusetts Avenue to East Arlington and beyond on occasion. It is confusing driving on Mass Ave in Arlington, because the lanes are undefined. And it is dangerous, because many drivers treat the Avenue like it is their living room, except in a car. They park in front of one store, go in and do business. Then they come out, get back in their car, bang a U-turn in the middle of road, and park right across the street to run another errand. It's nuts.

I hope you go forward with the project, it will make Arlington a better place.

Thank you for your attention.

Maggie Stanley

# Sloan, Kimberley (DOT)

From: Sent:

Julia Malik [juliamalik@gmail.com] Tuesday, March 12, 2013 3:56 PM

To:

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Avenue, Arlington, MA

Dear Ms. Sloan,

I am writing to re-iterate my support for this project. As a resident of Marathon St. I find this plan does a a good job of balancing the needs of local residents, commuters, cyclists, pedestrians, and public buses. The delays in getting to construction have been frustrating and I am looking forward to this project finally getting underway and providing us with a much improved business district, safer access between the neighbors and businesses north and south of Massachusetts Avenue, and a standardized traffic pattern along this stretch of road. Sincerely,

---julia malik

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8 March 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E.,

Chief Engineer, MassDOT,

10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116,

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687.

Dear Sir:

#### My qualifications:

- 1. Section Leader for State of the Art in Traffic Safety by Arthur D. Little Inc.
- 2. Contributor to Cost Effectiveness in Traffic Safety for USDOT
- 3. Co-author of Highway Safety Program for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
- 4. Have been hit while bicycling in Cambridge

### Statement:

As a driver and a bicyclist on the Mass Avenue section proposed for changes, I am very concerned about the safety of bicycle riders as proposed. European cities recognized decades ago that bicycle paths need to be separated from car traffic. If you have been to Berlin, you have seen the bike path included in the pedestrian path, as on Vassar Street in Cambridge. In other cities, the bike path is separated from traffic by parked cars.

Putting the bike path between the traffic and parked cars is a dangerous practice that can be easily resolved with little additional cost by locating it between the parked cars and the pedestrian path.

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Dear Mr. Broderick,

I am a resident of Arlington, MA. Unfortunately I was unable to attend the last public hearing held at Town Hall on the 26 of February, 2013..

I am writing to you to express my support for the current design for the reconstruction of Mass Ave between Pond Lane and Alewife Brook Parkway (Project File No 604687).

The road condition is deteriorating rapidly and I urge MassDOT to approve the current design so that the project can get under way.

I believe that the road as currently used creates multiple hazards for all the users, I am in favor of the three lane design, and I believe it is a good compromise between promoting safety on the one hand and traffic throughput on the other.

Again, please expedite this project, we need this done, and we need it done as soon as possible.

Name: Avgela Aton Address: 91 Haylor St.

Arlington, MA 03474

Signature: Mall Date: 3/5/13

Additional comments:
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public hearings for this project! I am a Town Mothing member
and home spocker to constituents the majority of whom here also
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March 10, 2013

Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer, MassDOT 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116

Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687

RE: Mass Ave Redesign in East Arlington

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I am writing in support of the proposed 3 lane configuration for Mass Ave in East Arlington that would allow for the addition of bike lanes, medians and widening sidewalks around the Capitol District. The safety improvements that these changes will allow are of great comfort to those of us who reside in the neighborhood, particularly parents of young children and bike commuters.

Arlington continues to grow in cultural resources, but if access to those resources does not improve, Arlington will never become the cultural destination it could become. We don't want a town that people drive through. We want a town that looks like a place for people to gather, and enjoy spending time and money. To do that, we need a safe, attractive and navigable area for people to walk around. This will attract new business, visitors, and residents to our town. It will strengthen the town's identity, and thereby strengthen community.

There are many reasons for supporting this plan, but the arguments have already been made. I simply add my voice.

Thank you for your attention,

Stephanie Marlin-Curiel

11 Cross Street

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As a Business Owner in Arlington, I am not convinced
that the Town plan for the Mass. Ave. Corridor Project
will help my business. The planners including the
Town of Arlington, FST and MassDOT have for the first
6 years ignored the wishes of businesses. Actually, the
fact is that they had no idea what our wishes were for
our businesses because the outreach was nil to nothing.
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I am very concerned that people will avoid using this one
mile of road and cut through the side streets to get from
point A to point B. My business will suffer with the
long construction and the finished product causing major
congestion in front of the stores.
It is time that you listen to the businesses and residents
in our Town. Eix Mass. Ave don't ruin it. Thank you.
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Address 22 MASS AVE

Mark Kaepplein 11 Palmer Street Arlington, MA 02474 March 9, 2013

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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer MassDOT – Highway Division 10 Park Plaza Boston, MA 02116-3973 Attn: Project Management, File 604687

CC: Pamela Stephenson

#### Broderick:

I am writing in response to the public hearing on the Mass Ave Project held February 26, 2013 in Arlington Massachusetts. I am vehemently opposed to the proposed remove of a westbound travel lane to make bike lanes so close to the safer Minuteman Bike Path.

For ten or more years the Town of Arlington officials have **refused** to serve its residents by offering a four lane design option, instead lying to them, claiming the four traffic lanes in daily use for decades do not fit. Any loss of funding is their fault. Moreover, I asked Selectmen on February 27, 2012 to put a 4 lane, non-binding ballot question to voters for the 2012 town election. They refused by a 3-0 vote and claimed absent board members agreed with them. In the previous 10 years, they had not asked voters using the annual survey what features they wanted on Mass Ave, another leadership failure.

Approximately half of the \$6 Million funding comes from the traffic Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality federal transportation program. The proposed plan increases traffic congestion and worsens air pollution! Besides the lane loss worsening congestion and service for public transportation and private transportation, opportunities to slightly widen and lengthen congested Lake Street where it meets Mass Ave were forfeited needlessly without any public discussion. Taxpayers deserve better of their money.

It is my sincere hope that all current and future MassDOT projects follow legal standards and wisdom of involving the public extensively, early, and often. Encourage cities and towns to survey residents electronically, on paper, and on ballot questions, asking them what they want. Please respond to and present a four lane plan to Arlington residents.

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Dear Sir:

I am writing in response to the Public Hearing held in Arlington on February 26, 2012 on the Mass Ave Project. I oppose the 3-lane plan, losing a travel lane and mobility, for very little justification. I want to see a 4 lane plan that actually improves the main road our town relies on. I am not in favor of compromising traffic flow for two 5 foot wide bike lanes to accommodate the 2% of users who ride bikes perhaps ten months of the year at most, especially given there is a bike trail two blocks away. The FHA report addressed to you and dated January 23, 2103 states "the alternative option that could be evaluated could include providing two vehicular travel lanes with shared outside bicycle lane in both directions through the limits of the project". This option would better serve pedestrians, mass transit users and motorists.

My main issues are the faulted traffic analysis and lack of increased pedestrian safety. The numbers derived by Fay, Spofford & Thorndike are flawed, perhaps purposefully so. A significant reduction in level of service/traffic flow will result should this project move forward. The analysis does not adequately address mass transit traffic nor the fact that more motorist will cut through to Lake St especially on Varnum St, Milton St and Egerton Rd. In addition, pedestrian safety will be compromised on Mass Ave. On the side streets, the safety of children walking to the Hardy School will be compromised should this plan move forward.

Mass Ave is a major public transit corridor accommodating the 77, 79 and 350 buses. According to a 2010 study by the MBTA, the 77 bus, which travels between Harvard Square and Arlington Heights, is among the top ten bus routes in terms of ridership. When you combine the three routes, ridership is among the top five of all MBTA bus routes. The 77 bus runs every 5-12 minutes throughout the day, more frequently than over 95% of other MBTA bus routes. While the 79 and 350 run less often, they each run an average of 3 times per hour. Combined there are buses every 3-5 minutes on average on Mass Ave. These buses have stops every couple of blocks along Mass Ave and often run close, if not directly, behind one another. Buses often do not pull out of the travel lane into the bus stop. Currently cars have difficulty getting by a bus that has not pulled over, with just one travel lane it will be impossible to get by. Add to this the problem of two or three buses lined up waiting to pick up or drop off mass transit users. With one lane, traffic would be brought to a standstill. Neither these typical backups, which happens dozens of times each day, nor the volume of bus traffic were adequately nor accurately considered in the traffic analysis.

The traffic issues that will develop have already been witnessed during snow storms which reduce the width of the street to one lane. Traffic slows to a crawl and gets severely backed up on Mass Ave. You can also travel to Arlington Heights which has fewer bus stops and less traffic volume and see traffic backups where the road is reduced to one lane, even when there are dedicated turning lanes. Simply, one lane does not work when you combine a major road with high traffic and mass transit volume.

The Town's main concern is receiving public funding for the project so that it can repave the road. There is not much concern among town officials about how it actually WON'T work once such a major investment is put into a deeply flawed plan. There are many improvements that can be made to the road which will increase pedestrian safety, traffic flow and bicycle safety without the need to reduce the

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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Chief Engineer MassDOT – Highway Division 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116-3973 Attn: Project Management

Dear Mr. Broderick:

Many thanks to you and the DOT for your patience with the citizens of Arlington. The Mass. Ave. Corridor Project is an important one, and as a parent of a 9<sup>th</sup> grader in public school and a 14-year resident of East Arlington, I want to urge you to support it for a simple reason: the majority of Arlington residents DO support the project, despite the vociferous obstructionism of a relatively small minority in town.

The attendance at the many DOT-sponsored meetings and hearings and, more importantly, the results of the last town elections, in which the vocal opponents of the project lost handily, clearly show this fact. Unfortunately the opponents of the plan have not learned the lessons of history embodied in the movie <u>Lincoln</u>—in a democracy the majority must rule. It's that simple. To propose significant revisions to the project, and thus delay it further, would thwart the will of most town residents.

I urge you again to move forward with the project and to feel confident that as you do so you are sustaining government of the people, by the people, and for the people of Arlington.

Many thanks,

Cyrus Veeser

# Resource Insight FIVE WATER STREET • ARLINGTON, MA 02476 • (781) 646-1505 • resourceinsight.com fax 646-1506

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Thomas F. Broderick, P.E. Chief Engineer Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 604687 Mass DOT 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116

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### Dear Mr. Broderick:

As the owner of a small business located in Arlington Center, I write to support the efforts of the Town of Arlington to rebuild and redesign Mass. Ave., as well as similar projects that improve public roadways for all users.

Although Resource Insight is not within the project area, I and my employees commute to Arlington Center by a combination of car, MBTA bus, bicycle, and on foot, on or along Arlington streets.

One of my employees was struck by a car and seriously injured in Arlington while riding his bicycle home from work last December. He was hospitalized for several weeks and considers himself lucky to have survived.

Another employee reports that traffic on Mass. Ave. often does not yield to pedestrians in crosswalks. She has witnessed several close calls, including one in which a pedestrian crossing the street fell and was nearly run over.

A third lives in East Arlington near the Cambridge line and commutes to work along Mass. Ave. on foot, by bus, and, often, on his bicycle.

Roads are of course networks and improvements to even part of a streets such as Mas. Ave. benefits residents of abutting towns as well. As a Lexington resident, I very much support using tax dollars to make the proposed improvements.

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Sincerely

Paul Chernick

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Pamela Stevenson, Administrator Federal Highway Administration 55 Broadway, 10th Fir Cambridge, MA 02142 (cc Tomasz Janikula)

Dear Ms. Stevenson and Mr. Broderick:

I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for the Massachusetts Avenue Corridor project (Mass Ave project) planned for East Arlington. My husband and I bought our house in Arlington in 2003. We live on the west side of town, but patronize many East Arlington businesses and have good friends living there, too. Besides being a 10-year resident of Arlington, I have been a Town Meeting member, representing Precinct 21, since 2007. I was, in addition, a founding member of a working group to improve traffic safety in our own neighborhood after years of speeding issues culminated in a fatal automobile accident in 2007. This led me into my past service on Arlington's Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) where my work included involvement in a "Safe Routes to School" committee for our neighborhood elementary school.

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Though I love visiting this East Arlington neighborhood, the wide roadway is very unsafe for pedestrians. I often feel uncomfortable crossing Mass Ave there, certainly in comparison to our own business district in Arlington Heights, where Mass Ave is much narrower. So, I would very much welcome the proposed changes, to make the sidewalks and street-crossings more pedestrian-friendly, the roadway safer for bicycles, and the sidewalks more inviting, including enabling street furniture for outdoor dining. Based on the modeling data I saw summarized at the February 26 hearing, the project will likely not result in substantial traffic delays. Still, I hope that, while favoring visitors who intend to stop, linger, and enjoy the local businesses, the rebuild will also discourage speedy "pass-through" commuter traffic. To me, such an outcome would be a net win for our residents and visitors to our community.

While it's already been my impression that most Arlington residents welcome the Mass Ave project, especially once they learn more about its details, I was still impressed by the volume of support, relative to opposition, at the hearing. I was impressed, too, by the variety and quality of the comments, including the words from our State Senator Ken Donnelly and Selectman Kevin Greeley, speaking on behalf of the entire Board of Selectman. With regard to the latter, I believe that Arlington voters have elected our current Selectmen, over other recent candidates, in part because of their support for progressive changes like the Mass Ave project. For many of us, the current Board of Selectmen and the majority of Town Meeting share our vision for an Arlington of the future, including one that favors cooperative enjoyment of Mass Ave -- our "Main St" -- by a variety of users. The contrasting vision, to promote fastest and most efficient vehicular traffic at the expense of pedestrians and cyclists, is not only unsafe, but is also outdated and would, essentially, preserve the less attractive, unpleasant status quo.

Sincerely

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Dear Mr. Broderick:

I attended the hearing for this project held February 26 in Arlington.

In response to a question posed during the comment period, Marie Rose of MassDOT's District 4 office said that the outcome of a local ballot advisory question related to the project would not be relevant to the Department's pending design decision.

I support that response, which reflects MassDOT's responsibility under state law. It is also corroborated by the Department's public statements at its hearings about the nature of its review process. E.g.:

The hearings are not intended to be a popular referendum for the purpose of determining the nature of a proposed improvement by a majority of those present. They do not relieve the duly constituted officials of a State highway department of the necessity for making decisions in State highway matters for which they are charged with full responsibility.

Given the history of this project, however, I would like to enter into the record further information about why this nonbinding referendum in particular would be a poor gauge of public support for the project.

- 1. The referendum is worded so broadly and ambiguously that it would reasonably be expected to attract votes from people who support the project.
- 2. In any case, the Department should approve projects that are technically sound, that were developed with an appropriate public-participation phase, and that enjoy substantial community support, whatever a snapshot referendum may imply. Anything further would be the wrong standard and inconsistent with the Department's mandate under state law.

Unlike statewide referendums, local advisory questions are not subject to legal review and do not appear with any explanation or pro and con arguments printed on the ballot. Consequently misleading or partial ballot questions are allowed. The remedy is that advisory questions are nonbinding and local officials are free to consider the context of such votes as well as the results, even to the point of ignoring the results.

That is what should happen in this case. The question that will be on the ballot

Shall the Town have four vehicular travel lanes on Massachusetts Avenue in East Arlington as now practiced?

both oversimplifies and does not allow Arlington voters to express an opinion on the issues that are central to the design.

Indeed the question is self-contradictory, in that the current "practice" is not a four-lane design, but rather comprises two amorphous wide super lanes that sometimes allows two motor vehicles to ride two abreast and sometimes does not.

The peculiar and partial wording of this ballot question is calculated on the part of plan opponents, who wish to frame the entire issue in terms they feel will be favorable and then misrepresent the result as widespread opposition to the plan.

At the February 26 hearing, opponents advanced the theory that four lanes would be feasible and safe, despite evidence to the contrary. They even instructed MassDOT that MassDOT's design guidelines would permit a 4-lane design without widening the street or eliminating parking, MassDOT's repeated explanations to the contrary.

Anyone is free to do this sort of thing if they like, but policy makers and implementers must be prepared to discount crafty and biased arguments, whether at a hearing or in the language of a ballot question.

The criteria of public participation and public support are important ones that have been satisfied in this case. Arlington will never agree perfectly on everything, but on this issue a consensus to move forward has emerged, in large part due to the Town's efforts to involve the public in the design process.

The proposed referendum does not challenge that consensus, in that even supporters of the project might still prefer four lanes, in an ideal world in which four lanes would be safe and would satisfy state and federal guidelines.

Meanwhile voters have spoken, by (1) electing selectmen and Town Meeting members who have consistently supported this project and (2) specifically rejecting rival candidates who oppose it.

A project plan that has passed technical review, been developed through a process that involves the public, and enjoys substantial public support, deserves swift approval.

The record of this hearing, the 2011 25%-design hearing, and the project itself provides ample evidence that these criteria have been met. The project should proceed without further delay.

Sincerely,

Adam Auster

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### ARLINGTON, MA

# RECONSTRUCTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, FROM POND LANE TO CAMBRIDGE CITY LINE Project File No. 604687

This sheet is provided for your comments. Your input is solicited and appreciated. Please return your sheet, with comments, to a staff member at the meeting, or mail to:

The final date for receipt of written statements and exhibits for inclusion into the official nearing
transcript will be ten (10) days after the Public Hearing. Please type or print legibly.
I am against the Town of Arlington's Corridor Project design.
I am not in favor of putting two 5-foot wide bike lanes on
this major roadway.
I am not in favor of compromising efficiency for drivers and
public transportation so that 2% of the users have separate bike
lanes.
I am not satisfied that emergency response time will be
sacrificed for the 2% of bicyclists.
I am in favor of bicyclists sharing the road or using the
Minuteman Bikeway 2 blocks from Mass. Avenue.
I am very much in favor of getting the State and Federal
money to fix this one mile of Mass. Avenue while retaining
4 traffic lanes.
I am very much in favor of making the road safer for all users,
especially pedestrians. The common sense plan of the EACCC
provides correct improvements while maintaining a safe and
efficient road for all users with new street lights, new
traffic lights, pedestrian-activated crosswalk lights, new linag
on the road, new curbs and sidewalks as needed.
Name Janica Janakieva Title
Organization ARlington Resident
Address // V Palmer Street
ARlington, MA 02474

# Keep 4 lanes on Mass. Ave. Arl.

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Mr. Thomas Broderick Mass. DOT

March 10, 20

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10 Park Plaza

Boston, Ma. 02116-3973

Re: Project 604687 Mass. Ave. E. Arlington

Dear Mr. Broderick,

I am opposed vigorously to the current plan for many reasons. I will address only a few here. KEEP 4 LANES ON MASS. AVE. AS CURRENTLY USED. A reduction to three lanes would be a disaster for my neighborhood and all the traffic coming through the Rt. 16 and Mass. Ave. intersection.

Currently, the 2 mile stretch from Huron Ave. and Rt. 16 in Cambridge to the intersection of Rt. 16 and Mass Ave at the Arlington- Cambridge line takes a minimum of 35 minutes and often more to travel during peak hours. I've timed this many times. Losing one lane westbound will only compound the bottlenecks at that site now.

No studies were done on the impact to side streets, the streets feeding into Mass. Ave. Mass Ave. is not an island, what happens there impacts the side streets. Hive on Fairmont St., the third street in from the Cambridge line. I personally have had TWO MIRRORS knocked off of my car by cars speeding down Fairmont to avoid the light at Thorndike. It cost me \$400 to replace these lights. Will DOT pay for any more bills from cut through traffic that increases with this plan?

The projected 26 seconds of idling time is significant. The light at that intersection changes every 1.5 minutes. If taken only from 6am to 9pm, 15 hours during a day, the idling time adds 17.33 minutes per hour, or 4.33 hours per day. 365 days x 4.33 hours per day =

65 EXTRA HOURS OF IDLING TIME SPEWING POLLUITION INTO MY NEIGHBORHOOD AND MY LUNGS. We already have high cancer rates in East Arlington. What about all the increase in pollution and global warming? Aren't you supposed to reduce that, not make it worse?

Very truly yours,

Cynthia Tollen 50 Fairmont St. Arlington, Ma. 02474 Cymlus /oll

MA. THOMAS BRODERICK DOT TO PARK PLAZA BOSTON MA 02116-3973

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DEAR MR. BRODERICK,

I AM STRONGLY OPPOSED TO THE PLAN TO NARROW MASS, AVE IN ARLINGTON. I AM A BIKER AND FEEL IT IS UNSAFE FOR MANY REASONS, THERE IS PLENTY OF ROOM FOR BIKERS NOW-I RIDE MY BIKE ON MASS, AVE OFTEN. ADDING MARKED BIKE LANES WOULD BE SUFFICIENT FOR BIKE SAFETY.

REDUCING THE TRAVEL LANES WILL CAUSE HUGE TRAFFIC JAMS AND GRIDLOCK EVERY RUSH HOUR.

> SINCERELY, ALEX PRENGEL 50 FAIRMONT ST. ARLINGTON 02474

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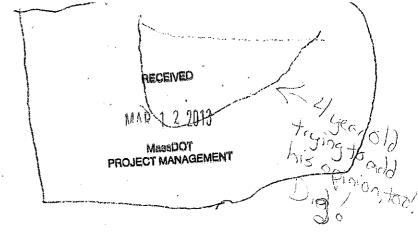
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